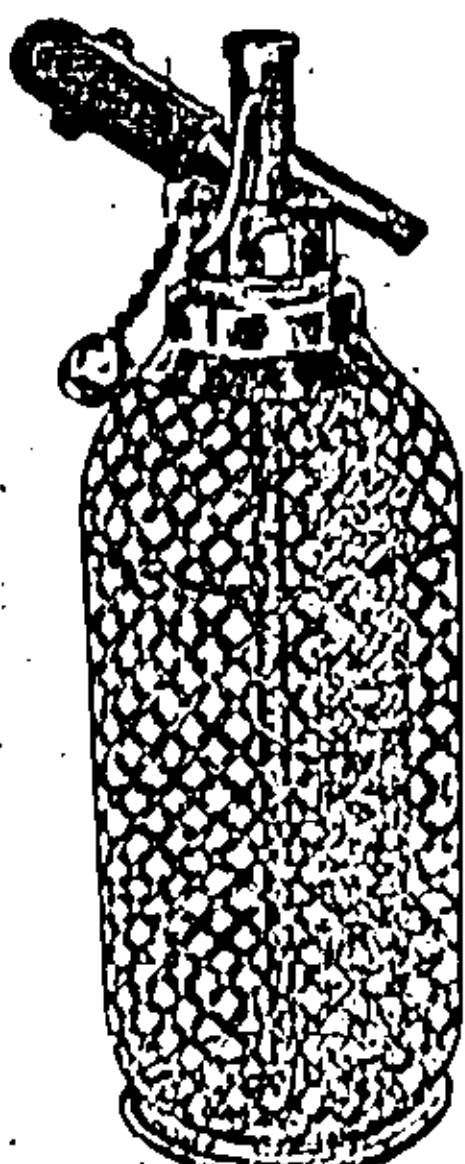


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SOLDIERS DENY COURT CHARGES

Denials of the allegations that they assaulted a taxi driver in King's Park and robbed him of HK\$104 and a fountain pen were put forward by two young RASC drivers standing trial yesterday.

Both accused claimed the complainant had by himself driven the taxi to the lonely spot in question after he had been told by them to "find a nice girl".

Both attached to 983 Company, Whitefield Barracks, Driver Sidney George Thomas Harrison, aged 19, of Derby, and Driver Joseph Barraclough, aged 20, of Darton, Yorkshire are standing trial at the Criminal Sessions before Mr. Justice Gould, Senior Puisne Judge, and a jury of four men and three women on a charge of robbery with aggravation.

Mr. Charles Loseby, KC, is appearing on their behalf on instructions of the Director of Army Legal Services, HQLE. Major A. N. Hicks, RA, of the Army Legal Dept. was present as an observer.

The prosecutor is Mr. M. Heenan, Crown Counsel. He is assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector Soulat.

According to the prosecutor, the complainant, Lai Tim, was driving his taxi along Nathan Road in the direction of the Peninsula Hotel about 2.30 a.m. on August 6, when he was hailed by the two soldiers.

The two boarded the vehicle, and asked to be taken down to Salisbury Road. On reaching the junction, complainant was ordered to take them into that road and eventually into Gascoigne Road in King's Park.

The prosecution further contended that the taxi was then directed to proceed into King's Park Road. When the vehicle had reached a spot near the Filipino Club, its passengers offered the driver to stop. The two Europeans alighted and walked a little distance off.

Presently, they came up. One of them is alleged to have put his arm around the complainant's neck from behind, while the other went through his pockets. Complainant was then given a blow on the neck and dragged a little distance off the taxi.

One of the accused, it is alleged, then unsuccessfully tried to start the taxi. Lai shouted for help, and two police constables showed up. After explanations, the accused were detained.

Charges denied

In defence, Harrison and Barraclough denied the charges against them in the witness box. They told the Court that on the night in question, they intended to return to their barracks and hailed the taxi.

Inside the vehicle, however, they changed their minds and decided to find a girl.

Lai was asked to "find a nice girl" for them, to which he said he had replied, "Okay, Johnny". They did not give the complainant any idea as to how the girl was to be found.

Complainant was told to drive to Star Ferry for that purpose. Instead of doing so, Lai turned left into Salisbury Road and then into King's Park. When he had reached King's Park Road, the driver himself stopped the taxi.

Barraclough said he then alighted from the taxi, followed by the complainant, expecting to find a girl thereabouts.

He was waiting for Harrison to come out of the car, when Lai indicated to him to follow him alone. Accused said he wanted Harrison to come along with him, as he suspected that perhaps he would be assaulted were he to go by himself with the complainant.

A short dispute of gestures arose between complainant and himself as to whether Harrison should come along. Barraclough went on. Presently, he decided to skip it and return to barracks, as it was getting late, when the police showed up and they were detained.

Barraclough denied he was short of money at the time of the incident. At the police station, he and the other accused were searched. He had \$20 in his pocket, while Harrison had \$0, he asserted.

After cross-examination, the trial was adjourned until 10 a.m. today.

Dr. Gosano to serve on Urban Council

Dr. E. L. Gosano, member of a prominent local Portuguese family, has been appointed a member of the Urban Council. He takes the place of Dr. A. M. Rodrigues who has resigned.

At yesterday's Urban Council meeting, Dr. J. P. Fehly, Chairman of the Council, gave Dr. Gosano a warm welcome.

Dr. Gosano, he said, comes from a famous family outstanding in the field of sport. He is a respected member of the Portuguese community and possesses an excellent war record, added Dr. Fehly.

At the same meeting, three applications for shop licences, and one each for bake house, food factory and swine licences were rejected. The premises of the applicants were unsuitable.

SYDNEY'S WORST TRAFFIC JAM

Sydney, October 23. Almost the worst traffic jam in Sydney's history developed as 6,000,000 Australians were stranded without rail transport.

Main roads leading into Sydney were choked with an extra 30,000 to 40,000 vehicles on top of the normal 75,000 cars and buses which fill the streets.

Everything with wheels—except railway trains—was pressed into service to bring 225,000 Sydney workers to their factories and offices.

One man, John Westaway, rode his horse Bess into the city and tied it up in Martin Place, opposite the General Post Office.

Westaway on Bess and thousands of cyclists did better than thousands who tried to reach work by car. The horse and bicycles outmanoeuvred the clumsier motor cars, many of which were halted in long stragulating traffic jams.

All trains in New South Wales and South Australia were halted today by a 24-hour strike which began at midnight.

The strike was called by 10,000 railway workers who stopped work in sympathy with Victoria railwaymen who began a strike last Monday to claim overtime and other pay benefits. Associated Press.

RUSSIAN ARMY STRENGTH

Rome, October 23. General Heinz Guderian, Hitler's greatest tank expert, said in an interview with the newspaper "Giornale d'Italia," published here today, that Russia could put 600 divisions in the field in case of war.

He said that in Eastern Germany alone the Russians had ready for action 35 divisions—10 of them armoured, six of them mobile air-attack units, and the rest partly motorised infantry and Sappers.

The General said that he had a low opinion of Russia's satellite armies.

The Elbe and Rhine lines were notably "crowded" devoid of military significance.

"In seven days the Russians could conquer Europe," he declared.

"I took France in 10 days and I had to cope with the Maginot Line," he added. Reuter.

MEXICAN QUAKE

Mexico City, October 23. A very strong earthquake 400 miles from Mexico City was recorded here today. A spokesman for "Instituto Geológico" said the direction could not be determined.

In Berkeley, California, a large earthquake, probably in Colima province, and still was in progress after two and a half hours, the University of California reported.

At Pasadena, California, the Institute of Technology reported that the quake was registered on the seismograph. At a magnitude of 7.5, it said the most destructive earthquake "recorded" was 7.5.

A Cleveland, Ohio, newspaper said that John Carroll University had been struck by a quake in the vicinity of the city.

United Press.

Personalities

The appointment of Mr. R. Widdham, a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Ceylon, to be a Puisne Judge, Kenya, has been officially approved.

Mr. Ralph Widdham was born in May, 1903, at Waghon Hall, near Hull, East Yorkshire, and was educated at Wellington College and Trinity College, Cambridge. He was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1930, and in 1935, joined the Colonial Legal Service in Palestine, as a legal draughtsman. He was promoted to be Relieving President, District Courts, 1942, and President in 1948. He was appointed to his present post in 1947.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Andrew, Miss J. P. Andrew, Mr. R. W. Fraser left Hong Kong for the United Kingdom yesterday by BOAC.

Departures for Tokyo by BOAC yesterday included Chan Tze-hung, S.D. Sharma, Ba Tin, Wong Chung-choi, L.L. Bassett, Capt. D.F. McIntyre, E.S. Ender, K.B. Walker, Liang Chan, Tschang, Wen Hsien-chou, J.M. Sabharwal, J.E. Auel, Samuel G. Shaw and Liang Yuen-wu.

Among those who left for Singapore yesterday by BOAC were S.P. Sharma, K. McLeod, Sapper Templeman, Miss Chow Kit-lin, C.A. Fletcher, O. Bertram, A.G. Kennedy, Col. R.E. Goodwin, Brig. O. Menra, Col. Dickson, Mr. Man Pe-luk, J.K. Melvani and Mrs. S.J. Melvani.

Departures for Japan yesterday by the Anshoku included Mrs. M. Griffith, Mrs. I. Mackinnon, Mrs. N. McCracken, Miss A.V. Hildyard, Mrs. M.L. Buswell, Miss H. Smith, C.A. F. Dundas and Mrs. Aya Atawa.

Among the arrivals from Japan yesterday by the ss. Shansi were J. March, Mrs. J. March, Miss H.L. Kemp, Miss E. Arnold, N.L. Leonard, Mrs. N.L. Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. S.T. Doughty, Miss K.M. Brady, J.L. Lynn, W.L. Howard and E.A. Dahlin.

TO BE WED

Frederick William Clements Holland, civil servant, of 55 Leighton Hill Road, and Miss Sheila Maria Theresa Sequeira, typist, of 25 Cameron Road, Kowloon, have announced their forthcoming wedding.

AWARD

The award of MBE to Lieutenant Colonel E. F. O'Flaherty, DSO, RTR, for outstanding services in Malaya, was announced yesterday.

La. Col. O'Flaherty now commands 3rd Royal Tank Regt. stationed in the New Territories.

Brewery larceny: employee gaoled

Pedro Jose Tonnochy, aged 36, was yesterday sentenced to six months imprisonment by Mr. J. Reynolds at Central when he pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny by servant of \$26,649.70 from San Miguel Brewery between May 1948 and July 3, 1949.

Defendant, employed by the Brewery as an accountant, had taken the money from time to time. He went to Macao and gave himself up to the Police at 8.30 a.m. on Monday.

Mr. J. H. Ruttonjee asked Mr. Reynolds if he could say something on behalf of defendant. His request was granted.

"Mr. Ruttonjee said, 'I have known the defendant, Tonnochy, for more than 17 years. He was first employed by me 17 years ago in my firm of H. Ruttonjee and Son, Ltd., and was transferred from that firm to the Brewery when I was appointed its manager in the year 1933, and has been continuously thereafter in my employment until the year 1947 when the Brewery was taken over by the San Miguel Brewery, Inc. of the Philippine Islands, when Tonnochy was also taken on the staff of that Company.'

"I can therefore say positively that Tonnochy had secured positions of trust and responsibility for a continuous period of 15 years until he joined the staff of San Miguel Brewery."

"During the main part of those 15 years his position was that of Chief Accountant and Cashier when he handled and had the responsibility of dealing in cash to the extent on occasions of hundreds of thousands of dollars, and during all this period he had never in any way misappropriated funds in his custody, and had proved himself to be an employee of complete responsibility and of the highest integrity."

Full confidence

"Throughout my full confidence in him and I can say that he had never once during the period raised in any responsible position, and I can say that during this long period I directed him to make no withdrawals of the money entrusted to him, and I can say that I had full confidence in him."

"It may be of interest to know that I have been the Chief Accountant of the San Miguel Brewery since the year 1947, and I can say that I have been in charge of all the money entrusted to me."

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CONSTRUCTION JOB MURDER CASE

The trial opened yesterday of two masons and an odd-job coolie charged with the murder of a head mason who, it was stated, was hacked to death in his sleep.

The accused were arraigned before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. E. H. Williams, and an all-male jury at the Criminal Sessions on a charge of murdering 36-year-old Leung Chi-fong.

They are Yiu Yau, aged 40, mason, Yiu Muk, aged 20, mason, and Leung Chi, aged 40, odd-job coolie.

The prosecutor is Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Inspector C. A. Nicol of the Homicide Squad.

First accused is defended by Mr. V. L. J. Dalton on instructions of Hastings and Company. The second is represented by Mr. Y. H. Poon instructed by Deacons, while the third is defended by Mr. Y. K. Mok on instructions of Brutton and Company.

Mr. Blair-Kerr in his opening remarks to the jury said that the crime was committed in Water Street, West Point, in a building under construction. The incident occurred in a building then under construction. The rear of the premises faced Pokfulam Road.

There was no staircase at the time leading from the ground to the first floor. The workmen used a wooden ramp attached to the verandah of the first floor for that purpose.

The construction work was being done by Wah Shoung and Company, which was employing 17 men at the time—four carpenters, four masons, seven odd-job coolies and two iron workmen.

Head mason

First two accused were employed as masons, while the third had, up to June 28, worked there as an odd-job coolie. The deceased was head mason employed by the firm. He had been with the firm for several years, and was a trusted worker.

All the workmen on the job slept on the partly-completed premises, the prosecutor stated. On the afternoon of August 4, the firm's foreman was informed that in spite of having been summarily dismissed on June 28, the third accused was still sleeping on the premises at night.

The foreman accordingly had a notice put up to the effect that no one not employed by the firm was allowed to sleep in the premises.

On the evening of August 5, a group of men were seen around the notice. Deceased saw it, and brought it to the attention of third accused. The latter said he was going to spend the night in the place.

The head mason replied that if he had elsewhere to sleep, he should go. Deceased appeared annoyed at this.

The prosecutor said that during that night, Lee Kwing, a worker, was roused by the sound of some violence by looking up he saw first accused descending from the first floor. He presently returned and went up to the second floor, where second and third accused slept.

Lee noticed that the deceased was asleep in his usual place toward the front of the building. Presently, he saw all three accused come down from the second floor and walk up to the sleeping head mason.

It is alleged that Lee saw first accused raise an axe and hack down on the sleeping man. Third accused also hit the man with a black object. Deceased then rolled from the front of the floor, whereupon first and third accused proceeded to rain blows on him.

Lee did not actually see the second accused strike out at the mason, Mr. Blair-Kerr pointed out.

Pool of blood

He went on to say that the workman in question saw first accused search the body of the deceased. Third accused took the cotton quilt used by the head mason, and all eventually left.

Lee did not sleep well that night. Early next morning, another workman noticed deceased's body lying in a pool of blood on the floor and raised the alarm. The pool was later measured, and found to be 56 inches long and 31 inches wide.

The police were immediately notified. On an investigation of the body, it was found that the wrist watch and black belt previously worn by the man were missing.

The corpse had large lacerated wounds principally on the left side of the neck. Four of the wounds were each so serious that it could render anyone unconscious, and cause death in a few seconds.

An axe and a hammer were the only two instruments found on the same floor where the body was discovered. Both instruments were in a wet condition, with no bloodstains.

Mr. Blair-Kerr pointed out that the length of the wounds on the neck of the corpse was four inches—the same as that of the blade of the axe found.

The deceased's black belt was duly discovered in the vicinity. The belt's pouch was found open, and it was empty. There blood smears were found on the steps leading from the first floor to the second.

After police inquiries, the three accused were detained. First accused's trousers, and the black shorts of the third accused were found to have bloodstains. A medical examination was performed on the three men, and a bruise was discovered on the left cheek of the second accused. They were formally charged with murder.

The prosecutor at this point told the jury it was the Crown's case that the deceased was brutally murdered in his sleep by the three accused, who acted on a common intent to kill him, and that the dead man did not have a chance to cry out or to defend himself.

After corroborative evidence, hearing was adjourned until this morning.

TB STILL A KILLER

New York, October 23. Is Tuberculosis being beaten? The annual report of the National Tuberculosis Association showed today it is not — that disease is still a ruthless killer.

The report, released by Dr. James Perkins, managing director of the association, said it is killing 40,000 persons per year in the United States, and that estimates place the cost at \$350,000,000 each year. The sum, according to Dr. Perkins, includes care and services for 400,000 persons known to have the disease, and a countless number for others who have it but are not aware.

More from the report: "The median age at which tuberculosis kills is 46. Each year it is robbing Americans of 1,000,000 potential years of life, 1,000,000 of which are working years. It is responsible for more deaths in the United States than all other infectious diseases combined, and is the cause of death in the age group from 15 to 34."

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Reporter acted as go-between

The story of how a Chinese, described as a reporter, acted as a go-between in selling more than 1,000 taels of raw opium was described by the prosecution at Central yesterday before Mr. J. Reynolds.

As a result, six Chinese faced committal proceedings for the possession of more than 1,000 taels of raw opium.

The accused, Hon Sui-hing, an import and export merchant, Fan Ping-choi, unemployed, and Yung Chiu-ming, reporter, were charged with the possession of 260 taels of raw opium at 30 Java Street, third floor, and with selling the opium.

The three accused, together with Cheung Leung-hing, unemployed, and Tang Ping-lin, accountant and Tang Kwai-huen, company manager, were charged with the possession of 1,035 taels of raw opium.

The first accused was represented by Mr. A. C. Arculli, the third accused was represented by Mr. D. L. Streetly, the fourth and fifth accused by Mr. P. J. Griffin. The second accused is not represented.

According to the prosecution this is a case in which the police negotiated through agents who posed as buyers of opium. The agents negotiated with the defendants and arranged for a series of interviews which eventually led to the arrest of the six accused.

In the first instance, 250 taels were sold by the first three accused to two detectives on September 17 and on the same day Police constable 832, together with another detective, purchased 1,035 taels.

The arrangements for the sale of the opium started on September 4, and ended on September 17. The 1,035 taels of opium were sold for \$50,000, and the 250 taels were sold for more than \$7,000.

Wong Chun-sang gave evidence of how he was approached by third accused as to the sale of opium. He then related the various instances where he was given instructions by a detective and how he had negotiated with third accused.

Hearing of the case was adjourned till today.

AIR EXPERT FOR MALAYA

Singapore, October 23. An expert credited with doing much to defeat German night bomber attacks on Britain is going to direct the air war against Communist terrorists in Malaya.

He is Air Vice-Marshal Robert Stewart Blucke, aged 53. He is expected to arrive in Singapore before the end of the year and take over the job of air officer commanding RAE from Air Vice-Marshal Sir Frank Melles, whose tour of duty ends in January, 1951.

An expert on "blind flying," Air Vice-Marshal Blucke's many special research missions before the war to develop a technique to beat night bombers. When the Germans started using guiding radio beams during the war, he jumped into the job of trying to do something about it.

He flew an RAF aircraft fitted with electronic equipment to gather information which he supplied Air Home Defence Forces. This enabled these forces to set up apparatus for "blinding" the bombers, thus saving the German bombers off their targets.

He won a bar to his Air Flying Cross for this work. One of his jobs in Malaya will be to direct the jet planes coming here from England to aid in the fight against Communist terrorists. Associated Press.

SPIES TO DIE

London, October 23. A Bucharest Court today sentenced three Rumanians to death for spying for France, according to a Rumanian news agency's report received in London.

Two French defendants, Lucien Bussy and Louis Fontaine, were sentenced to penal servitude for life.

Collette Pauline Gachet, a Frenchwoman, was sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment, and Elizabeth Perodou, a Rumanian, was sentenced to 15 years, the agency reported.

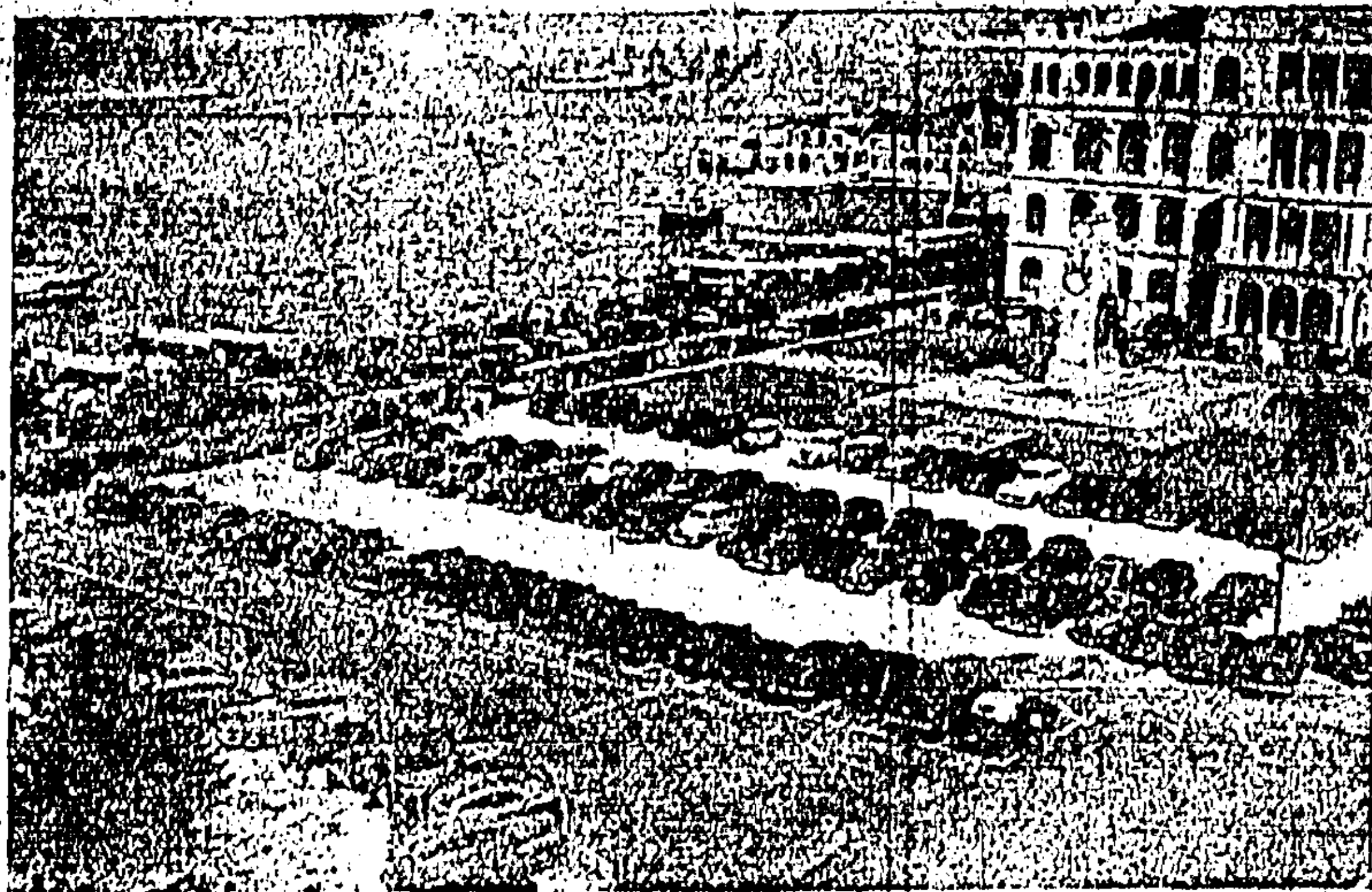
The Prosecutor had demanded death sentences for five of the defendants, but the judge said they were charged with military and economic espionage. Associated Press.

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The new car park (shown in white) at Statue Square was officially opened yesterday next to the Cenotaph. The space was granted by Government following negotiations initiated by the Hong Kong Automobile Association. Work on an additional park is now in process on the site opposite, a corner of which is shown in the extreme left of this picture—"China Mail" photo.

HONG KONG TRADE SETS NEW RECORD

The total volume of trade for September at \$762.3 million is once again a record, being up by 18.3 per cent over last month. Imports at \$398.8 million were up by 21.2 per cent, and exports at \$403.4 million up by 15.9 per cent, showing a large though slightly decreased favourable balance of \$44.6 million for the third successive month.

It is gratifying to observe that the increase was largely due to China which accounted for more than one third of this month's trade. Figures for China and Macao are shown in millions of dollars below, last month's figures being given in brackets.—

	Imports	Exports	Total
China	295.2 (28.0)	74.2 (45.8)	103.7 (58.4)
North	25.2 (11.4)	33.8 (28.5)	58.5 (39.7)
South	270.0 (16.6)	40.4 (17.3)	121.1 (61.6)
Macao	0.2 (0.1)	1.0 (0.4)	0.8 (0.5)
Total	295.4 (28.1)	75.2 (46.2)	103.7 (58.4)

The item in imports from North China which showed the largest increase was raw silk, from a mere \$2,000 to nearly \$2 million, almost all of which went to India. Other large items were textiles and soya beans.

Exports of raw cotton to North China recovered from \$0.5 million to \$17.1 million, sugar from \$0.2 million to almost \$7 million, pharmaceutical products from \$3.6 million to \$9.0 million, and copper wire from \$2.5 million to \$3.8 million. There were decreases in raw rubber, from \$10.8 million to \$7.3 million and in iron and steel, from \$8.2 million to \$6.6 million.

The increase in imports from Middle China is again attributable to heavy shipments of sugar from Formosa, much of which went to the Chinese mainland. Increased exports of textiles and paper to that area were recorded.

Rice imports

It is interesting to note that during this month white rice imported from South China amounted to a value of \$3.9 million as against \$0.7 million for August. Other main items responsible for the increase in imports were wool, oil, eggs, bristles, vegetables, roots and tubers chiefly used for human food, and textiles.

Exports of raw rubber nearly quadrupled in value from \$5.3 million to \$22 million. Other increases recorded were pharmaceutical products, from \$10.1 million to \$15 million; iron and steel from \$3.9 million to \$6.0 million, dyestuffs and tanning materials, from \$4.4 million to \$6.9 million; and non-ferrous base metals, from \$0.7 to \$2.1 million. Exports of non-electrical machinery and apparatus fell from \$5.9 million to under \$1 million.

Figures in millions of dollars for trade during September with specific localities of China are as follows (last month's figures are shown in brackets):—

	Imports	Exports
Formosa	173.3 (6.5)	21.0 (10.4)
South China		
(by land)	88.7 (31.0)	0.4 (38.6)
Shanghai		
(by rail)	0.9 (0.000)	4.2 (1.7)
(by sea)	0.7 (7.5)	0.5 (5.2)
Haikou	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.03)

The Colony's trade during this year with China is remarkable. Figures for the first nine months of 1950 in millions of dollars are as follows (figures for the corresponding period of 1949 in brackets):—

January	61.6 (60.8)	9.4 (18.2)	41.9 (—24.0)
February	44.0 (84.0)	8.0 (33.0)	36.0 (—11.0)
March	46.1 (49.1)	9.5 (81.0)	41.4 (—17.0)
April	42.1 (38.5)	8.6 (19.3)	33.5 (—17.0)
May	30.0 (88.7)	7.4 (81.3)	4.5 (—57.4)
June	34.0 (61.9)	7.7 (66.3)	1.7 (—15.5)
July	62.0 (48.5)	6.2 (38.7)	32.2 (—4.8)
August	72.3 (40.4)	11.5 (62.3)	37.8 (—5.8)
September	295.4 (28.1)	75.2 (46.2)	64.7 (—22.1)
Total	590.8 (440.8)	88.9 (318.7)	301.9 (—22.1)

Taking Macao into account also, the favourable balance is yet further increased. Figures for the first nine months of the year are as follows (in millions of dollars):—

	Imports	Exports	Balance
January	61.6 (60.8)	9.4 (18.2)	41.9 (—24.0)
February	44.0 (84.0)	8.0 (33.0)	36.0 (—11.0)
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SEQUEL TO BUS WOUNDING

Corporal John Mason, of B Squadron, Third Royal Tank Regiment, was charged before Mr. R. W. S. Winter at Kowloon yesterday with negligently discharging a firearm and wounding a bus conductor in Lanchow on Sunday.

Detective Sub-Inspector E. P. Grace stated that defendant had a very good eight-year army record and that at the time of the incident Mason was cleaning a pistol at a post in the Lanchow area. After cleaning and reloading the pistol, defendant went off when defendant pulled the lanyard light.

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LIEGE EXPLOSIONS

Liege, October 24. Twenty workers were injured today when two successive explosions rocked Belgium's foremost arms-producing factory near here, the Fabrique Nationale des Armes de Guerre.

Most of the injured were reported to be slightly wounded, mainly by glass bottles and fragments of metal. The explosions occurred in the factory's cartridge-manufacturing department. They killed three workers and injured 20 others.

Private Stanley McCrum, aged 20, of the Star Line, was killed near the Star Line factory last night when a bomb exploded. He was working as a night watchman when the explosion occurred.

Rotary celebrates United Nations week

United Nations Week was celebrated by the Hong Kong Rotary Club with a programme devoted entirely to the United Nations at its weekly luncheon at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden yesterday.

The Consular Body of Hong Kong was present en bloc as guests of the Club, and they were introduced to the gathering by Mr. H. Wrigley, the Australian Government's Trade Commissioner.

A flag of the United Nations was presented to the Club by Mr. H. S. Hudson of the United States Information Service.

The UN flag, he said, symbolised peace, the first principle of the United Nations, which has been in existence much longer than the United Nations. The latest events in Korea showed how much the world wanted peace and what they would do to achieve it.

The principal speakers of the day were Dr. Pedro Lobato, District Governor of Rotary District 94, and Mr. R. M. Gordon, Secretary of the Hong Kong Rotary Club.

Dr. Lobato, who is on his first official visit to the Hong Kong Club, gave some impressions of his recent visit to the United Nations Assembly in San Francisco, which he attended as district governor. He said that the United Nations was a very real and a very active organization, and that he had heard the master minds of the movement speak.

Dr. Lobato reviewed the message sent by the new President of the United Nations to all district governors setting out the new goals for 1950-1951, among which was stressed the necessity of "roping in" more young men for Rotary membership as well as increasing the number of senior active membership. Practice of the four-way test with emphasis on the virtue of honesty, was also urged as one of the goals.

The need for extending community service and international service was also stressed, as well as strengthening the bond of understanding among peoples with different social structures.

World events

The next speaker, Mr. R. M. Gordon, said the fifth anniversary of the United Nations was perhaps more significant than its predecessors because of present world events. Less than two months ago he was attending meetings of the Security Council at Lake Success, and saw the representatives of different nations expressing their respective views, without getting anywhere apparently.

It was like a prize fight, but one was struck with the impression that the world was fighting a much better fight than it was. He said that he was glad to see the world fighting a much better fight than it was.

One cannot escape the conclusion that the United Nations is the world's only hope, he said. It is the only meeting place where small nations as well as big nations can voice their troubles and aspirations. It is the only organization that is always ready to mediate political disputes.

A list of UN activities in Palestine, Indonesia, Kashmir, the former Italian colonies, and lately in Korea, was presented by Mr. Gordon, together with the economic and health services and assistance it was extending to various areas throughout the world.

Regarding the world's future, Mr. Gordon quoted from a recent statement of the UN Secretary-General who said the United Nations was founded on the principle that peaceful negotiation of differences between nations is not only possible, but necessary. He said that the United Nations was a very real and a very active organization, and that he had heard the master minds of the movement speak.

Reminders

Today

H. M. meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Micro Services Club, dancing class, 9 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, dancing class, 6 p.m.; boxing classes, 7 p.m.; film show, 8.30 p.m.
Union Jack Club, whist drive, 7.45 p.m.
NAAFI Club, Kowloon, darts, 8 p.m.; spotlight, 9 p.m.
Debatting Society, European YMCA, "Preventive War", 8 p.m.
Women's Section, European YMCA, Games Morning, 10 a.m.
Sino-British Orchestra, rehearsal, at St. John's Cathedral hall, 6.15 p.m.

Coming events

TOMORROW

Lecture on "The Democratic Principle in British Education" by L. S. Pearson, British Council Library, 5.30 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club, lunch at Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Sino-British Club Music Group, concert at St. Stephen's Girls' College, 8.30 p.m.
NAAFI Club, Kowloon, snooker, 7 p.m.
Union Jack Club, tombola, 7.30 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, darts and table tennis, 7 p.m.
HK Women's International Club, whist drive, 7.30 p.m.
Y's Men's Club, Ladies Night, at Chinese Bankers' Club, Bank of East Asia Bldg, 8 p.m.

AXE MURDER OF CREW

Oslo, October 23. A police court at Namsos, Central Norway, today ordered 28-year-old Jon Saltnes detained for 60 days for a mental examination after his complete confession of having killed the three-man crew of the little freighter "Bellevue" with an axe on Sunday night, October 15.

The self-confessed crime took place when the coaster was at sea near Getholmen, on Folla, off the Western coast of Norway.

Saltnes said he wanted money to repair his house.

Saltnes, who is married and has two children, was on board the freighter as a passenger. He confessed to having killed the skipper, Paul Hellevik, the skipper's son, Peder, and the third member of the crew, Gutorm Marvik, with an axe. He said the skipper was killed at the bridge, his son in the cabin while he was asleep, and Marvik in the galley.

After the killings he opened the bottom valves of the vessel and rowed some 20 miles to his home, taking with him 280 Crowns (pounds, £14) and the clothes of the murdered men.

Pending further investigation, the police ordered Saltnes to be detained and mentally examined. Saltnes faces possible life imprisonment.—Associated Press.

ODOUR WAS QUITE DIFFERENT

Appledore, Devonshire, October 23. Fish brought to the Appledore parish church for the harvest festival services is first sprayed with eau de cologne.
The vicar, the Rev. Hugh Miller, explained why. "In the past, people who came to my church for the harvest festival service used to crowd into the middle and back seats in order to avoid the smell of the fish."
Now, he said, he had introduced eau de cologne, and they are able to crowd to the front and not suffer from the smell of the fish.

Drastic action by Quirino

Manila, October 22.

The President of the Philippines, Mr. Elpidio Quirino, today proclaimed the suspension of "the privilege of habeas corpus" in cases of alleged sedition or rebellion. It was officially announced tonight.

The announcement said: "This measure is intended to facilitate the prosecution and the disposition of an increasing number of cases arising from seditious, rebellious or otherwise subversive acts of lawless elements."
The President declared: "This Government can no longer tolerate the continuation of such a state of affairs threatening not only the peace and security of the people, but the very security of the State itself."

President Quirino's proclamation followed renewed clashes in the last few days between Government forces and Communist-led insurgents only a few miles from Manila, the Philippines capital.

Earlier this month, he warned the people of Manila to be on their guard against the "agents of subversion," adding that a cosmopolitan city like Manila might well be a hotbed of such agents.—Reuter.

Traveller claimant to fortune

Melbourne, October 23.

John Oatway, an Australian traveller for a boot polish firm, believes he is heir to a £5,000,000 fortune left by a Scotsman who died more than 100 years ago.

The Scotsman, Peter Taylor of Falkirk, left the money to a nephew on condition that he had children. The will said that if he did not, the money was to be paid up for 100 years and then shared by Taylor's descendants.

The nephew had no children. Oatway, who lives in Melbourne, Victoria, with his wife and two children, thinks he can trace his family back to Falkirk. His mother and grandparents were named Taylor, and he said tonight:

"The fact that I am a Taylor from Falkirk, which was only a small village, makes me very confident."
The fortune is one of the biggest ever investigated by Australian solicitors.—Associate Press.

affected by textiles, and yarns and threads.
Other countries. Imports of raw sugar to the value of \$32 million from Mauritius were recorded.

Air freight. The air freight figures for the month show the importance of the Colony as a centre of air-traffic. Figures for imports and exports, exclusive of parcel post, were:

	Weight	Value
Imports	43,205 kg.	\$13,764,187
Exports	60,268 "	\$8,970,504
Total	103,473 kg.	\$22,734,691

The U.S. supplied goods by air to the value of more than \$6 millions; Switzerland more than \$5 millions.

Opposition mounts to Schuman Plan

Carrying out of the Schuman Plan for pooling Western Europe's coal and steel resources appeared in jeopardy today.

The plan, fostered by the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, was hailed only a few months ago as Europe's greatest hope for the future.

But now German, Belgian and French steel industrialists, seeing unlimited demand for steel in the West's huge rearmament programme, have "hatched" against the Schuman proposal.

"Six months ago, the plan was looked upon by many industrialists as guaranteeing a steady market at stabilized prices. Now the market is unlimited."

A West German Government spokesman reported today that West Germany is solidly for the plan.

Cartel fears.
The Secretary of State, Mr. Walter Halliday, who heads the German Schuman delegation, said today that Germany is for the plan and will work for it. He said that the plan would be a great benefit to the industrialists of the West. He said that the plan would be a great benefit to the industrialists of the West.

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Free world now prepared

Washington, October 23. The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, in a United Nations Day radio message to the United States armed forces in Korea, said today that in the event of any new Communist aggression the free world as a whole will be prepared.

He was sure that many of the American troops wondered why they had to bear such a large part of the burden in Korea. The burden fell on the United States because it alone had the forces which could be brought to bear quickly.

"I am glad to report to you that the United Nations is now working urgently to insure that if there is a next war the free world as a whole will be prepared," said Mr. Acheson.—United Press.

Mystery signals from stars

Holmes Chapel, Cheshire, October 22. Mysterious "signals" given off by the stars are being studied from Britain's giant radio-telescope here.

The telescope has more than the normal signals. It has "ears" too. Scientists listen in to the strange waves which radiate across the sky—the "talk" of the stars.

Professor Bernard Lovell, who is in charge of the telescope, said: "There is no secret about our work. We are studying the radio waves which originate in the depths of space and reach the earth after travelling on their journey with the speed of light for 100,000 years.

"The telescope collects these waves from a small region of space, an addition to the steadily accumulating store of knowledge which one day may tell us exactly where these 'signals' come from.

Scientists first learned about the "language of the stars" during German rocket attacks on Britain in the war. They picked out the sounds while listening to the radar echoes given off by the rockets.—Reuter.

FORMER MP CLEARED OF ADULTERY CHARGE

London, October 23. Sir John Mayhew, 60, was completely cleared by a divorce court judge on Monday of accusations that he committed adultery with his own son's wife.

Mr. Justice Charlton Hodgson made it clear he was personally convinced that Sir John, who served 14 years in the House of Commons, was blameless in what the judge called "horrible" and "filthy" accusations.

Sir John's 41-year-old son, John Mayhew, had filed suit for divorce against his wife, Peggy, 37, naming his father as co-respondent. His wife did not contest the divorce, but instead gave evidence for her husband, "confessing" adultery with Sir John.—United Press.

HANOI STIRRING WITH A NEW UNEASINESS

Hanoi, October 24.

This city of quiet lakes and ancient pagodas stirs with a new uneasiness. For the French, before, it was somewhat exciting but never too worrisome to be on the fringe of hostile Vietnam country and in the shadow of Red China. Danger to isolated Hanoi was something to chat about in pavement cafes, and it gave an air of adventure to a slow-moving, provincial city.

Recent staggering reverses for the French army in the frontier region 1,000 miles to the North have quickly transformed the tone of conversation. Talk has taken on a lower pitch—hushed word of high casualties and whispered rumours of plans for retreat. Sometimes talk is loud and a little hysterical. And the subject of evacuation comes up.

The French Commissioner has quietly started to register dependants of French business people. The army has ordered wives and children of servicemen out of North Vietnam. A few others are packing and leaving. The rest are sitting it out.

They hang on in a colonial city that appears to be a small French suburb transplanted to the Orient. Now that oppressive summer monsoons are over, there is a little suspicion of coolness, and even the weather is a little like autumn in France.

Brick pavements in Hanoi's French quarter are as wide as streets in other cities. Expansive, shaded boulevards are lined with massive concrete homes and business buildings. They are ornate but shabby. Their yellow paint has dissolved and become streaked with tropical mould.

Vietnamese coolie women hunched over repairing the streets look out of place in their black pyjamas and broad, cone-shaped hats.

Hotels crowded

The old Metropole Hotel and several smaller ones are crowded, mostly with French military people. Five theatres do a big business with French and American films. A half-dozen cafes with chairs spread out to the pavements have become social centres, clustered with bridge-playing French businessmen, Foreign Legionnaires, a few women, seldom any Vietnamese.

A single Chinese night club is the city's only hotspot. Its stand by drink, cognac, costs 35 piastres a shot, but moneyed people jam the place—foreign consular officials, soldiers and black marketers. A Filipino band plays "American style" and taxi girls are Hong Kong imports. The club's profits in three months have been triple the initial investment, people will tell you.

Hanoi's shops miss the big-city glitter of Saigon's but still lean toward luxury goods. French wines and perfumes are stacked high. Elegant leather goods, textiles and jewellery are sold at astronomical prices. No American or British goods are on sale.

Boulevards extend from the centre of the city toward the "citadel", a suburban district of army barracks, hospitals and Government buildings.

Across a small lake from the French quarter, the Vietnamese and Chinese section of about 200-

000 persons is a jumble of tightly cramped shops and houses. The district is powdered with dust and bare of foliage.

Buddhist and Confucian temples and pagodas spot the city like displaced segments of Peking.

Quiet terror

Security within Hanoi has improved in the past year although a quiet sort of terror still grips the city.

If you are one of the 1,500 French civilians in town or one of the 20-odd Western foreigners, you don't wander far from the brightly lit French quarter at night. Venturing outside the city limits after dark would be suicide.

It is safer here than in Saigon where Vietnamese nationalists toss a couple of grenades every night, people reassure themselves. They point out that incidents in Hanoi are rare. Residents have come to accept their confined life and the unsureness that comes from knowing the city is honey-combed with a Vietnamese underground that can count thousands of sympathizers.

It is an overwhelming police force that keeps peace inside Hanoi. The French have a Surete of plain-clothes men and a large corps of military police. The French-nursed Vietnam Government has its own separate police force.

Nobody can tell how many uniformed and secret police there are. The French and Vietnamese don't even inform each other of their numbers. It is said. Tough police methods—spying, mass arrests, long-delayed hearings and sometimes torture—have enabled the French to keep an upper hand but have produced a terror of their own. Both Vietnamese and French are afraid to talk freely. Many have a phobia of being watched and followed.

People in Hanoi are accustomed to looking over their shoulders uneasily. Now, though, they also look North toward a vast mountain region. They have been jarred into new awareness from that direction.

Lifeline to sea

From Hanoi, on a clear day, you see the blue rim of mountains that rise from the rice lands North of the city. The craggs form a natural fortress for Ho Chi-minh's main forces. The Communist leader's territory reaches to within 25 miles of Hanoi on the North and spreads out behind the city in the shape of a fan all the way to the China border. The area's depth is roughly 100 miles. It sweeps in an arc of 200 miles.

South and East of Hanoi, the French have fortresses spotted over the rich Red river delta and maintain part-time control of the populous rice country. With a tight chain of forts, they keep open a 70-mile lifeline, a railway track and parallel road, from Hanoi to its seaport, Haiphong.

The French used to feel that they had the Vietnam effectively hemmed in and cut off from

Russian view of Korea

Moscow, October 22.

Sergei Borzhenko, the "Pravda" correspondent in Korea, wrote today that Pyongyang "continues to fight the hated enemies of the Korean people."

He wrote in the Communist Party newspaper: "As a result of the many days of stubborn battles in the forward areas, the combined American-British-Japanese invaders, with the support of Syngman Rhee bands, succeeded in breaking through to the city."

The British mechanized infantry captured the bridge, crossed to the right bank of the river and started battles in the centre of the city.

"Following the British executioners, units of Japanese Samurai crossed the river."

"Bitter fighting is taking place in the central streets and in the area of Mount Morumbon. Entire families defend their streets and their houses, arms in hand," the correspondent said.

"Thousands of families left their native town where they were born, had lived and worked. Day and night the American planes strafed and bombed the living stream of Korean civilians. Factories, hospitals, embassies, ministries, and State institutions moved North."

"Fearing the arrival of fresh reinforcements of the People's Army the Americans flung an air landing party North of the city, which cut the last road."

"The courageous defenders of the capital found themselves encircled but they continue to battle steadfastly," he added.—Reuter.

supplies. Warfare had settled down to a tiring stalemate with Vietnamese guerrillas attacking only spasmodically, using hit-and-run thrusts.

But with backward aid from the Chinese, the Vietnam hatched a real army along the China border and have rolled the French back from a string of frontier outposts.

No secret

With more Chinese aid, Ho Chi-minh might turn his army into a mobile force, repair the roads in his territory and strike toward Hanoi from any one of several directions. As about four months of dry weather are ahead, the time is right for an offensive.

It is no secret that France's military force in North Vietnam—some 75,000 regulars, Legionnaires, Africans and local partisans—are mostly pinned down in forts to hold the delta South of Hanoi, and French equipment is old and often insufficient for the job required of it.

The unanswered questions are those about Ho Chi-minh's shadowy forces, hidden behind the mountain walls of his vast stronghold. Is the strength of his regular army 50,000 or 300,000? How much help has he received from China. Could he rally great support from the people of North Vietnam in a supreme effort against the French? Can he seriously attempt driving the French from Hanoi, or perhaps, all of North Vietnam? Would he dare try?

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Hospital, on 23rd October,
the gift of a son.

BRIGHTER HORIZONS

The warm welcome accorded to the Governor and Lady Grantham on their return to the Colony was in the highest sense a personal one. But behind the spontaneity of the smiles at the pier lay a deep consciousness that Hong Kong is now in far happier circumstances. Many who came here a year or so ago must have been struck then by the calm front displayed by the people in what seemed a menacing situation. It was soon evident that it was more real than assumed. The spirit of confidence survived the industrial troubles, which again looked so alarming to the world at large. And now, after the great tension of the past summer over events in Korea, the one great worry is to be sure of enough water to take with whatever it is we take when we need to take it! There are, of course, other problems, too, such as the high cost of living and the shortage of housing accommodation. But these we share with much of the rest of the world.

The major relief, as Mr. Randolph Churchill has truly said, has come from Korea. The centre of tension has been removed two thousand miles from the Hong Kong border to the great rivers and rugged hills that divide Korea and Manchuria. British troops who boarded ships of the Royal Navy here at the height of the Korean crisis just two months ago are now across the Chongchon River at Sinanju and may soon be watering their trucks on the banks of the Yalu.

Here is a concrete symbol of the vast change that has come about in the whole international situation in the Far East. Indo-China cannot be forgotten in present rejoicing, but Korea was the testing-ground of basic issues. There it was the United Nations was tested and triumphantly vindicated, under the resolute leadership of the United States and General MacArthur. The challenge of aggression by armed force has been answered and overturned. The physical results are not unimportant, whether they are reflected in occupation of ever-increasing areas of territory formerly behind the curtain, or in the vast numbers of prisoners taken and still being taken. But the moral effects are infinitely more significant and far-reaching.

The whole of Asia has been watching this Korean enterprise. So too have many more in other continents. Even the Kremlin has altered its tone, and perhaps even its temper, though about that one is best not to be too sure. This moral victory has yet to be clinched, first by the attainment of political unification in Korea on a basis that will convince the rest of Asia of its fairness and then by the speedy economic rehabilitation of the country. Even those who would be the first to deny it are nevertheless inevitably

Blowing Britain's trumpet--No 3:

THE CUP-AND-SAUCCER TOWNS ARE BUSY AGAIN

By Reginald Pound

In Stoke-on-Trent in the Potteries the smoke from the pot-banks streams across the rooftops and streets as if in rehearsal for a factual film. The fires below are dollar-earning. They are firing the china and earthenware that stand high in the list of Britain's most wanted exports.

Among the largest customers is the American hotel industry. It is using 'up the Six Towns' plates and cups and saucers at a rate which has long since made the potter's wheel a museum piece.

Lone worker

It has almost entirely abolished the old incredible pottery know-how of palms and fingers and thumbs.

The "thrower," that man of unique skill who shaped the clay without any machine help except to keep his wheel turning, has now joined the dodo. He represents a skill that is residual and maintained now almost entirely by special orders. Mass production has driven him into a corner, where he works respected but alone.

You walk through the third-generation, rustic pottery of Wood and Sons and find only one "thrower" still employed there where Enoch Wood started in business in 1784. Noises that would have astounded his ears testify to the dominance of the machine in an industry which resisted it longer than most.

All the shaping—the jollying, they call it—is machine done today. Hands are still busy, even at the machines, but they are hands with a technical mastery rather than with a genius of their own.

You come upon Mrs. Florrie Davies and a group of other women workers sitting in the middle of the floor of a department stacked to the roof with plates and dishes, all sizes. They are making a tormenting din with bright steel chisel-like sorting tools, chipping off the tiny flecks

impressed by superior force. But the truest converts are those who are made by good deeds of peace, sincerely and unselfishly done. Much nonsense is being talked about American aggression in an age when no people have done so much for a war-stricken world. We shall have cause, in due course, to praise the benefactor who will heal the terrible wounds of war. When that day dawns it will be the day of final and conclusive triumph.

His Excellency returned to the Colony on the eve of United Nations Day, another good omen. Yesterday's anniversary is indeed a historic one. For the United Nations has become a great force in the world. It is no longer merely a great centre of debate on the world's many problems, but also a centre of formidable action. It has become an expression of only of great aspirations, out of the will to strive and fight for their fulfilment. It has been strengthened immeasurably as a force for good by the events of the past few months. It is to be strengthened still more by the part it may perhaps be destined to play on a far wider field than Korea in the economic development and enrichment of the under-developed areas of the world and especially of Asia.

There are suspicions and fears to be overcome in the march of Asia out of the torpor and changelessness of many centuries to a new and wider prosperity. But on this vision itself at least there is no controversy, and no division. An hour or two before this was written we happened upon a group of Chinese students, gazing with rapt attention at the great steel and concrete Chinese bank building now going up alongside the massive bulk of the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank. It was a story without words but more eloquent because of it. It epitomised the vision of the young generation throughout Asia. Such differences as there are refer to details rather than to the dream itself. In the fulfilment of this dream, too, the United Nations and its various bodies will play a major part, and perhaps much sooner than many may think

left after the firing. The rocket suggests unbridled nursery impulses being given full scope.

The steady hand

Mrs. Davies has actually been doing this for 30 years. It cannot be done by a machine. It needs attentiveness and a reliably steady hand.

"Steady nerves too," you propose, for the noise is piercing and incessant. Mrs. Davies, cheerful, undisturbed, says her hearing is as keen as ever, which strikes you as remarkable.

Of you talk to Tom Cohen, who has been breathing the fine white dust of the industry for 50 years. All that time he has been on piece-work. "I've never worked any other road," he says, and he is still on piece-work. It makes you feel scrupulous about detaining him.

But he is who he is. He is a man who has been a potter since he was a boy. He is a man who has been a potter since he was a boy. He is a man who has been a potter since he was a boy.

I've always found that the "traditional" national character of a people bears little, if any, resemblance to the people of the nation. Thus, I find the traditionally stolid Englishman talkative, emotional and even hysterical. I find the traditionally excitable Frenchman rather dour and undemonstrative. And I'm always finding the traditionally dour Scotsman full of "panache, élan" and "je ne sais quoi."

But—praise the Lord—there is one country where the inhabitants not only live up to their traditional national characteristics, but even enjoy doing it. I refer to Ireland. The late James Matthew Darric said there was no more inspiring sight than a Scotsman on the make. I find my inspiration in watching the Irish being Irish.

Being a Glaswegian, I thought I knew something about the Irish. But the Irish in Ireland are another kettle of stew altogether. They enjoy being being Irish, they glory in it, they love it.

I'd been told that only stage Irishmen said "Begorrah" and "Bejabbers." Well, I'll admit I didn't hear anyone say "Begorrah" during the 15 days I spent in Ireland, but I heard "Bejabbers" and "Begob" all over the place. Dublin, which gives me a bigger lift of the heart than Paris ever did, is an international city—full of Americans, English, French and Scots. But that makes the inhabitants all the more determined to be Irish.

Like a film set

Outside Dublin, the Irish have things all their own way, and we are City of Cork is so traditionally right that you begin to believe there are some things which not even Hollywood could exaggerate. Blarney Castle, for example, looks exactly like a film set. You're quite surprised when you touch the walls and find they're real, instead of just a plaster cast.

Never shall I forget standing on the bridge over the sweet-running River Lee, and seeing an Irish pipe band, complete with saffron kilts, marching up Patrick Street. Two brawny boys carried a banner asking us all to vote Sinn Féin at the local elections. And the election posters were certainly Irish. My favourite was the chap who put after his name in very large letters, "BETTER KNOWN TO YOU ALL AS 'TUCKER'."

He does not know why it went just like that. He thinks it may have been a case of having to get his second wind.

"I'd been at it a long time, you see. There was a bit of a lull, if you get my meaning." You get his meaning, and Tom goes on to inform you that quite suddenly—like that, "with another flick of the fingers—his interest returned. It was well, 20 years ago. I'm a bit slower. But I'm interested again. That's the point."

Thomas Cooper, 46 years here, 36 of them with this same firm, makes thimbles—little directly supports used to separate the ware being fired in the ovens. If it is not one of the highly specialised skills, it requires a knack, a know-how of its own.

No young 'uns

Tom is cast down because no apprentices to his side of the industry are coming along. He

has not had one with him for four years. He thinks that something good as well as something not so good went out of industry when the apprenticeship system ceased to attract the young.

"What is happening to the young fellows?" he wants you to tell him. "I don't know," he says, his voice sombre with recollection as well as with doubts of the future. "I started to work early. I served my time, I've never regretted it." He shifts uneasily on his stool at the bench, a man baffled by the trends of an age.

The "Staffordshire Evening Sentinel," which is the leading local newspaper, carries columns of job advertisements under names that seem to echo the spirit of craftsmanship: biscuit over oddmen, fitters, mottlers, jollers, handlers, gold scourers. You discover that whatever they may have meant in the days before the potter's wheel ceased to be the prime symbol of the industry of this weird region of England, today they mean little in terms of instinctive skill.

But the unceasing smoke-flow from the potbanks testifies to the continued pre-eminence of the Potteries in the manufactures for which the towns comprising them have so long been celebrated, and that not simply through the novels of Arnold Bennett.

Among the thousands of men and women whose working lives are keyed into the cadence of the silent and hoarse of Burslem and Hanley and Stoke there are still some retaining skills that are both hereditary and indispensable.

Skill, if nothing like genius, is required in the basic balancing of the stuff called "the slip," which is the creamy dilution of clay and flint and crushed stone, plus water, from which your china and earthenware are made.

Crucial stage

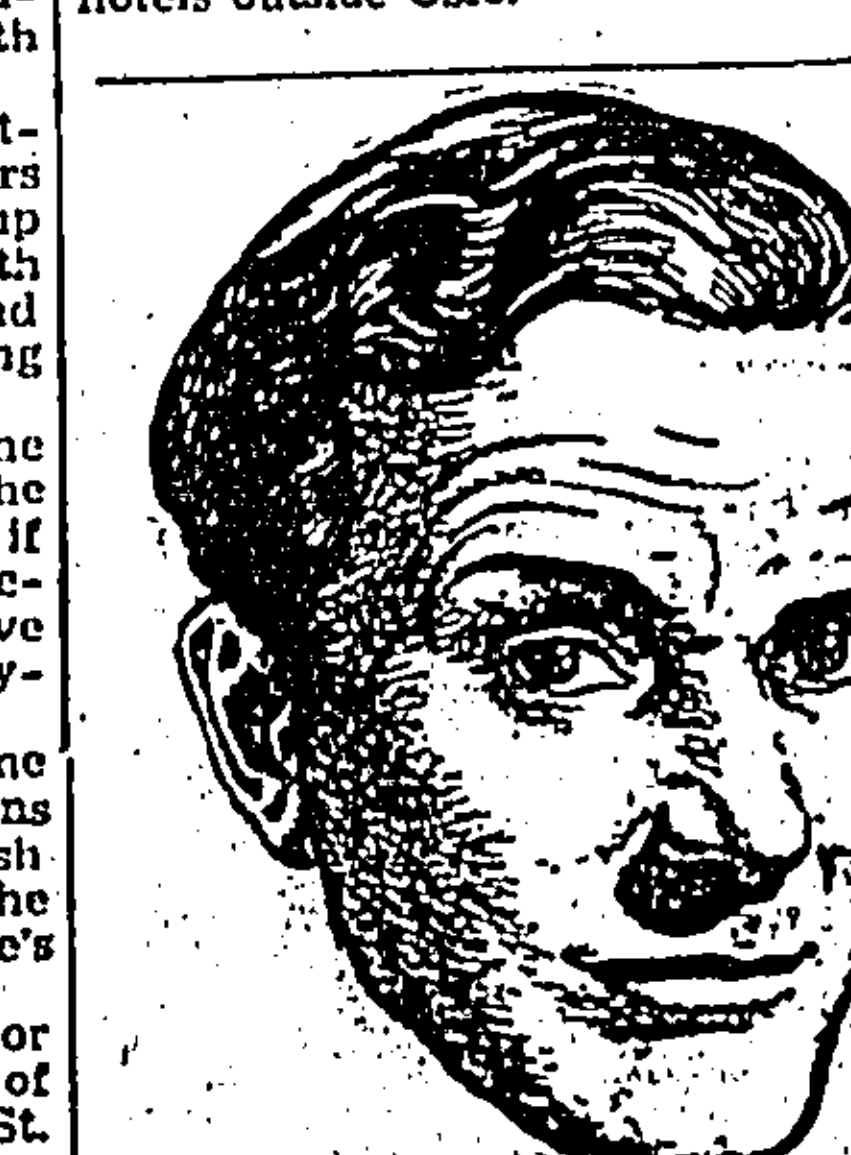
If nothing more than experience is needed in the firing processes, it is experience which is very much better bought than taught, for there is no margin for faulty judgement at this crucial stage.

There are the art-ware designers and modellers; the decorators, the painters, the gliders, the figure makers. Comparatively exclusive skills these; and in many instances they represent an uninterrupted descent of accomplishment from one generation to another.

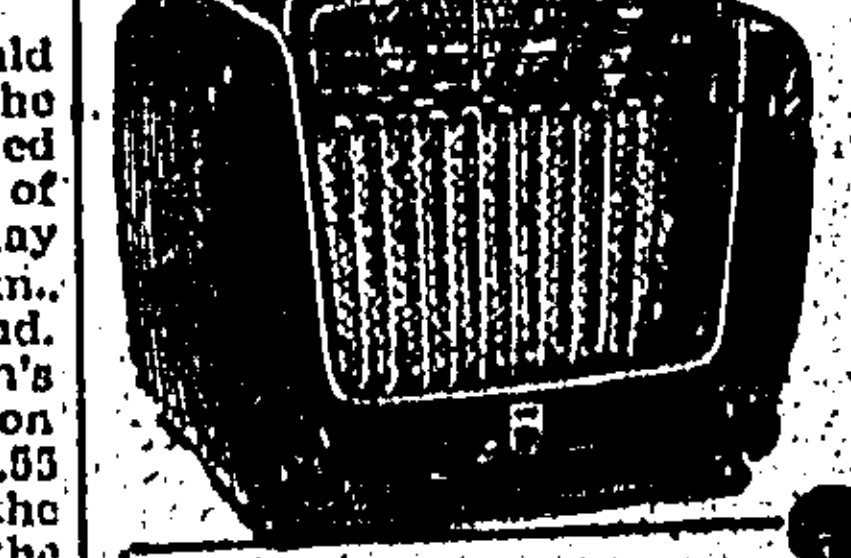
Skiing in Norway

Winter-time is skiing time, and, from Oslo, correspondent Moray Williams reports that at least 750 Britons who have never skied before will do so this season in the Norwegian mountains.

They will visit Norway under a scheme launched by the Central Council for Physical Recreation in London. Last year the Council sent 120 members to a snow-bound Youth Hostel near Voss. They will not be alone for Norwegians believe that this winter their country will rival Switzerland, Austria, France and Italy as a winter sports centre. Norwegian hotels are cutting their prices. Thirty shillings a day for room and full board will be the official maximum charge in all hotels outside Oslo.



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Absolutely brilliant! Mr. Churchill, even the younger of Mr. Crove is on his way Peking as a British Embassy representative (unrecognised course). Some of us would have given Mao the bird a time ago.

Gay, dashing, heroic Flynn Burma was married again Monday.

Up to late last night, there was no news of divorce proceedings being started.

"Girdles and particle-girdles worn by American moderns."

Myrtle's grandfather bought for his wife, who wears them widely as anyone, and when put it on, he says, you should have seen her beam.

Don't look now, but...

For the four Sunday November the pastor will be in his pulpit. And for these Sundays the congregation assured of a rich spiritual life.

Despite occasional complacency by the farmers, the government vegetable development people doing all they can to make realise their Hays desire.

Both Hibok Hibok Stromboli have started to cruise. Man has to be reminded and then that he doesn't have monopoly of destruction.

The secret of the Warden Jew is out at last—at least Hong Kong. He was looking a place to park.

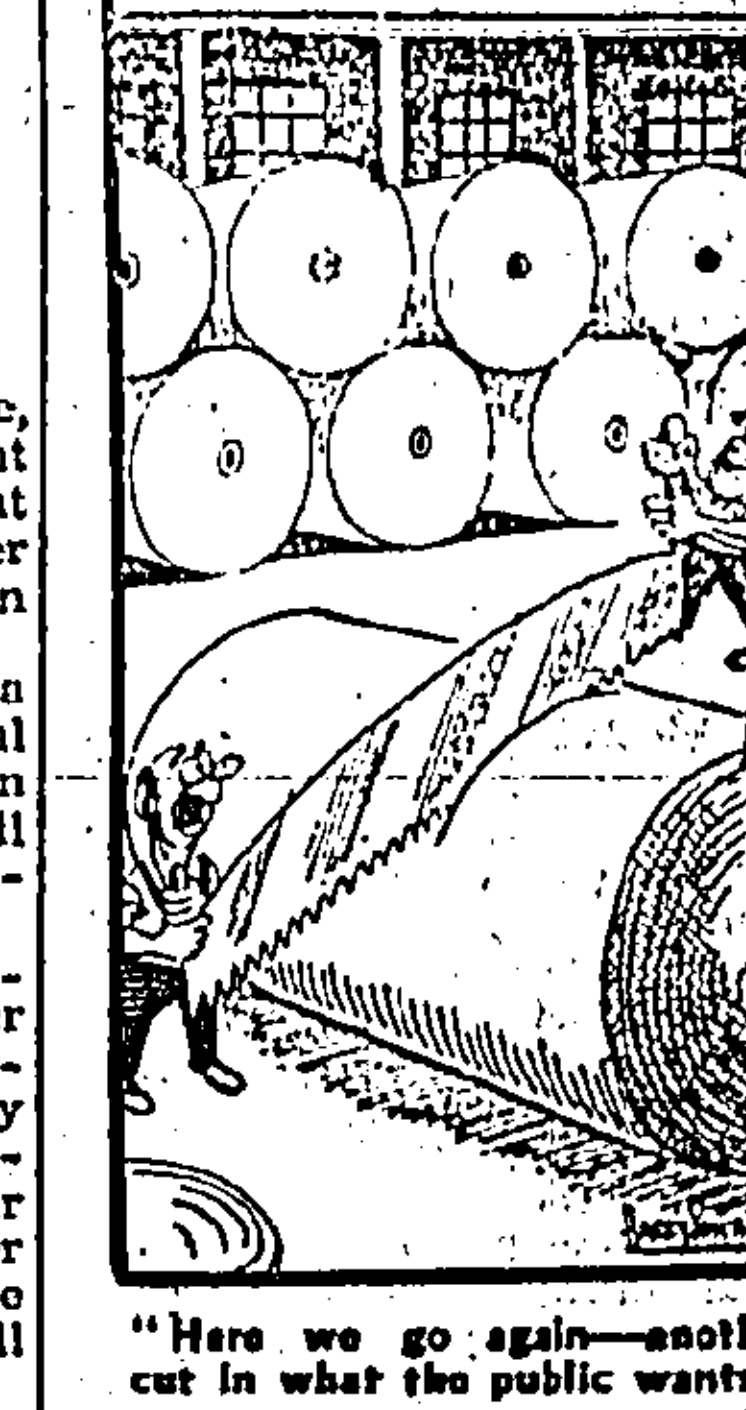
"The thin, emancipated boy of the men..."

After all, why be a slave hard and fast dictionary usage.

The authorities would Brood no questioning by reporters with the former White Rajah's nephew arrived.

Myrtle thinks an inventory all the things a man tells about himself.

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Difficulties in Far East not solved

Lowestoft, October 23. Mr. Anthony Eden said tonight that the very grave situation in Indo-China was a sharp reminder that victory in Korea had far from solved difficulties in the Far East.

However, Mr. Eden told a political meeting, the progress of the United Nations in Korea had revived world hopes for enduring peace.

"If we want no more Korea, East or West, the free nations have to make a formidable and immediate effort to build up our collective strength," he added.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S STAND ON SUEZ

London, October 23. Britain has told Egypt that she considers her use of airfields in the Suez Canal Zone for the arrival and departure of British forces fully in accord with the Anglo-Egyptian agreement of 1936.

The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Ernest Davies, told Major Niall MacPherson, Conservative Member, in Parliament today that in July the Egyptian Government called in question the use of airfields in the Canal Zone by British troops entering or leaving Egypt. This was in a note to the British Embassy.

A British reply on September 21 had stated that it had been the practice for many years to use Fayid as a normal point of access to Egypt for this purpose. It also said that the British Embassy was fully satisfied that the practice fully accorded with British rights under the Immunities and Privileges Convention of 1936.

(Egypt is understood to regard the use of airfields free from Egyptian control as an infringement of her sovereignty and to expose her to the danger of espionage and the entry of undesirable persons.)

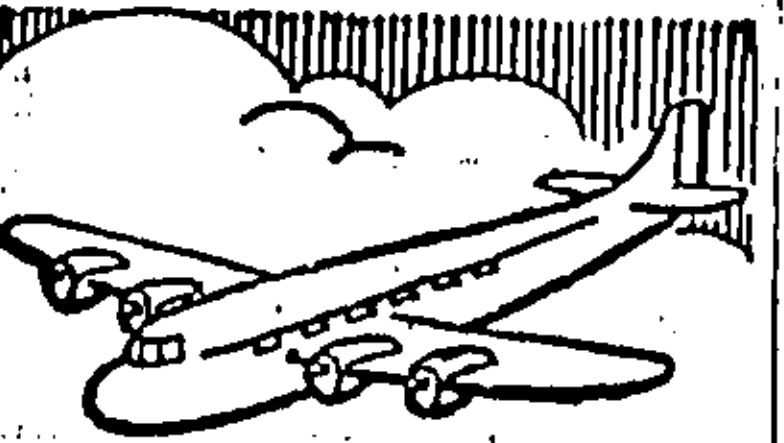
Mr. Davies, replying to another question about Egypt, said Britain continued to regard Egyptian Government's actions on merchant shipping in the Suez Canal as quite unacceptable.

Britain and other maritime powers had lately made a further protest. The Egyptian Government had not put restrictions on the movement of shipping through the Canal but had claimed the right to control the passage of war contraband through the Canal to Israel.

This question was now before the United Nations, he said.—Reuter.

WARSAW TRIAL

Warsaw, October 23. Six members of Poland's wartime underground army went on trial today on charges of "anti-State activities" and espionage for the Anglo-American powers. The trial is expected to last a week. Only three spectators attended the first day, although 250 admission tickets were issued by the military prosecutor's office. The first defendant pleaded guilty. The official indictment alleged among other charges, that the defendants were involved in large-scale theft of UNRRA parcels.—Associated Press.



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VYSHINSKY HARPS ON AN OLD THEME

Lake Success, October 23.

The Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, today called attention to views expressed by Marshal Stalin that the Communist and Capitalist worlds could live together.

Mr. Vyshinsky declared that it had been and was the wish of the Soviet Union to maintain and strengthen peace all over the world.

He was opening a debate in the United Nations Political Committee on a Soviet proposal for a "declaration on the removal of the threat of a new war and the strengthening of peace and security among the nations."

Mr. Vyshinsky recalled the views of Marshal Stalin in 1947 that trade between the Capitalist and Communist worlds was one way of achieving agreement.

Mr. Vyshinsky said that these needs did not now exist but the principle of what Mr. Stalin said is still valid.

The replies of the Soviet leader to various questions on the possible co-existence of the two ideologies were listed by Mr. Vyshinsky.

After praising the "peaceful aims" of the Soviet Government, Mr. Vyshinsky asserted that the United States foreign policy was of a completely different character.

Mr. Dean Acheson (Secretary of State) made it quite clear, he said, that he believed that genuine negotiations with the Soviet Union were possible only after the creation of "situations of strength."

That was the basis of the "total diplomacy" formally declared by Mr. Acheson in his speech of February 16, Mr. Vyshinsky said.

"Britain on leash" Mr. Vyshinsky said that the United States played the main role, Britain, France and other countries, because they are dependent on the United States, are kept on the leash.

Mr. Vyshinsky said that it was not only the leaders of the United States who propounded the idea that force was the main fuel of foreign policy.

He then referred to a recent speech by Mr. Ernest Bevin, the British Foreign Secretary, who, Mr. Vyshinsky said, "declared that, in so far as the force of the West has increased, an atmosphere propitious to settlement between the Great Powers may return."

Mr. Bevin, he declared, "wished to talk with the Soviet Union only when he has a club in his hand. Only then will they try to solve outstanding problems, when they are armed to the teeth."

"You can well imagine the results of such a policy," Mr. Vyshinsky said.

"Sterile policy" He declared that peace could not be facilitated by the "factor of force, by trying to scare someone away, or rousing fear and dread in the hearts of the Soviet Union."

"Arguments of threatening certain circumstances can only bring about the opposite results as far as the Soviet Union is concerned," he declared.

Mr. Bevin's "insistence" that the Western Powers be strong before they talk "could mean only that they do not want to talk with countries who are not strong," Mr. Vyshinsky continued.

He declared that the recent speech of President Truman in San Francisco had confirmed the aggressive intent of United States foreign policy.

Preparations for a new war, he added, were being covered up with mellifluous speeches. Mr. Truman's speech had contained a warning that in the future the American people would have to bear heavier military expenditures and that the United States must devote more of its resources to military ends and less to civilian consumption.

"Old formula" "This is nothing but the old, well-known formula which originated from the camp of Hitlerite reaction which was then talking about guns rather than butter," Mr. Vyshinsky said.

He declared that to cover up the true aggressive policies there were phrases about peace, beautiful speeches, even good resolutions sometimes—such as the one by Iraq and Syria calling for renewed talks between the Big Five—but, on the other hand, there was the violation of international agreements.

"These violations threaten and are likely seriously to threaten peace," Mr. Vyshinsky said.

He gave as an example of violation of international agreements the action of the United States, Britain and France in "sundering" Germany.

He went on, "The United States, Britain and France are now taking measures for the restoration of the Western German army. They are already paving the way for the remilitarisation of Western Germany which is in gross violation of the Potsdam Agreement."

"World mastery" The Western Powers, he alleged, were sheltering elements in Germany which dreamt about revenge, elements which dreamed about using German resources for aggressive plans behind which are the plans of the United States and their allies for world mastery.

Plans were afoot, he added, to include Germany in the aggressive group of the North Atlantic alliance.

Mr. Vyshinsky said that there were in Western Germany, "upwards of 450,000 men in various essentially military or paramilitary detachments including tanks and artillery battalions covered up under the name of police detachments."

The "strong Western German army" was headed by old Nazi officers and generals under the protection, and with the connivance of the "ruling military and civilian leaders of the Western Powers."

Having split Germany, he added, these Powers were now even trying to use Japan for their "aggressive aims in the Far East."

In all other questions, after arriving from head to foot, they wished to foist their demands.

"Sabre rattling" "They used the atom bomb for years and failed," said Mr. Vyshinsky. "Now they are talking about the hydrogen bomb, but I can assure you, you will fail as you failed before."

The "sabre rattling" must be left aside, measures to remove the threat of a new war must be sought, he said.

"However, it is impossible to strengthen peace where we hear all kinds of talk about peace but, at the same time, in smoke-filled rooms, in military charcoleries, in war offices, plans are feverishly being prepared to attack the partner with whom you purport to be willing to conclude negotiations," Mr. Vyshinsky said.

British and French representatives at the United Nations were using arguments similar to those of their predecessors in the League of Nations to prevent disarmament. During the period of the League, Mr. Vyshinsky said, Mr. Bevin's predecessor, Mr. Arthur Henderson, said that before there

Hungarian "election"

Budapest, October 22. Hungarians today elected 220,000 village, city and county council members from a single list of candidates.

Late this afternoon at least 85 per cent of the electorate had gone to an orderly polling, casting votes of "Yes" or "No" in sealed envelopes.

Youth groups sang and danced in the streets of Budapest and market places throughout the country from 7 a.m. when polling started.

Official quarters said that only one-third of the candidates to the councils were members of the parties merged in the Independent People's Front, or Independents.

Today's election will send 55,000 industrial workers, 132,000 working peasants, 10,000 intellectuals and 6,000 craftsmen, shop-keepers and civil servants to the councils.

Press correspondents were given facilities to visit the polling places in Budapest and in the country. They were taken by bus through the various districts of the capital, to industrial centres and to the Catholic centre of Esztergom, former seat of Cardinal Mindszenty, now imprisoned for activities against the State.

Voters were asked to cast their ballots in curtained booths if they wished but most remained outside, placing their votes in sealed envelopes and dropping them into boxes in front of the Election Committee.

Opposition could be signified by marking a cross on the form.—Reuter.

was disarmament there had to be confidence. Of course this is not cogent. Confidence in itself does not lead to disarmament," Mr. Vyshinsky declared.

"Doors open" Mr. Bevin, he said, called for the "opening of doors, the raising of shades" in the Soviet Union. Acceptance of the Soviet plan for atomic energy control would do just that, Mr. Vyshinsky maintained.

"It is all there in black and white, in the plan we submitted in 1944," he added.

"If the international control body notes any suspicion, founded or completely unfounded, it can by a simple majority—no unanimity of the permanent members—no veto right, carry out an investigation."

Mr. Bevin asks of us, the full range and freedom of inspection, is there. The doors are open, the shades are raised. Anyone who wishes to look should take the blinds off his own eyes," Mr. Vyshinsky declared.

He also said that the "notorious stages" suggested in the American plan for atomic control could do nothing but constitute an obstacle to the peaceful use of atomic energy.

"While the United States does not need atomic energy, the Soviet nation does. The United States has ample resources, oil, coal, lumber and hydro-electric power for its industries and economy, even if only with the resources now at its disposal."

The development of atomic energy in the United States, he declared, would require a tremendous investment and lower the profits from the other industries.

"Therefore, this is not to their liking," Mr. Vyshinsky added.—Reuter.

Official statement in Commons on vanishing scientist

London, October 23.

The "vanished" British atomic scientist, Professor Bruno Pontecorvo, had very limited contacts with secret work for several years past, the Supply Minister, Mr. George Strauss, told Parliament today.

But it would be quite impossible to say that Pontecorvo had not been able to gather information while at Harwell, the atomic research station, or in Canada, which might be of value to an enemy, Mr. Strauss added.

The Italian-born scientist, he said, had been screened several times in the last few years by British security officers.

Mr. Strauss said that he had no information on where Professor Pontecorvo now was. Pontecorvo, with his Swedish-born wife and children, flew from Rome to Finland last month and disappeared.

A Conservative Member had asked if Professor Pontecorvo had had the opportunity of acquiring knowledge of atom bomb manufacture likely to be of value to a foreign power.

The Speaker of the House refused to allow an immediate emergency debate on Pontecorvo's disappearance. This was moved by a Conservative, Lord John Hope, as a matter of urgent public importance.

Another Conservative, Mr. Henry Strauss, asked if any investigation had been made as to what documents the Professor took out of the country with him.

The Minister of Supply replied: "As far as I am aware, no such investigation took place."

Never possible Replying to a further question, the Minister said: "It is never possible to be absolutely certain that somebody who had any connection with any Communist or Fascist organisation was not nevertheless working in a research establishment."

"But we do believe that the screening arrangements are as good as can possibly be devised, unless we go to limits which Parliament would not tolerate."

Another Conservative, Mr. Charles Taylor, alleged that Professor Pontecorvo had been known to be a bosom friend of the Harwell atom spy, Dr. Klaus Fuchs, who is now in prison.

The Supply Minister did not think this last allegation was true. Security officers said that the screenings of Professor Pontecorvo had been completely satisfactory.

A Labour Member, Ernest Thurtle, asked if security officers still had complete faith in the loyalty of Professor Pontecorvo to the nation. Mr. Strauss answered: "We would like to wait just a few days longer to see what happens."

Mr. Raymond Blackburn, an Independent, criticised what he called the inequity of the salaries paid to scientists and workers engaged in atomic energy projects.

"Does not that very largely explain why 10 years after starting our atomic energy programme we are still not anywhere near producing an atomic bomb and are being outstripped by Russia?" he asked.

Mr. Strauss replied that it was just not true that the pay was less than half of that of private industry.

Refusing the request for an emergency debate, the Speaker, Colonel Douglas Clifton-Brown, said that Professor Pontecorvo was not in this country. There was no particular reason to stop him when he left the country and the Government had no power now to get him back to deal with him.—Reuter.

DULLES' MESSAGE TO FORCES

Lake Success, October 23. Mr. John Foster Dulles, Republican adviser to the State Department, told the United States armed forces tonight that the United Nations owed its life to their efforts in Korea.

In a broadcast to the American forces on the eve of United Nations Day, Mr. Dulles declared that the first burden of Korea fell on the American land, sea and air forces and they alone saved the day.

"Still the great burden rests on the armed forces of the United States," he continued. "Never in history have we faced a menace as formidable as that which threatens. We need strength and righteousness—strength which none need fear so long as they mind their own business."—United Press.

SEA RESCUE

St. John's, Newfoundland, October 23. The United States Coast Guard cutter, "Sorel," tonight reported that she had picked up eight survivors of the missing 1,104-ton, Greek-owned freighter, North Voyager.

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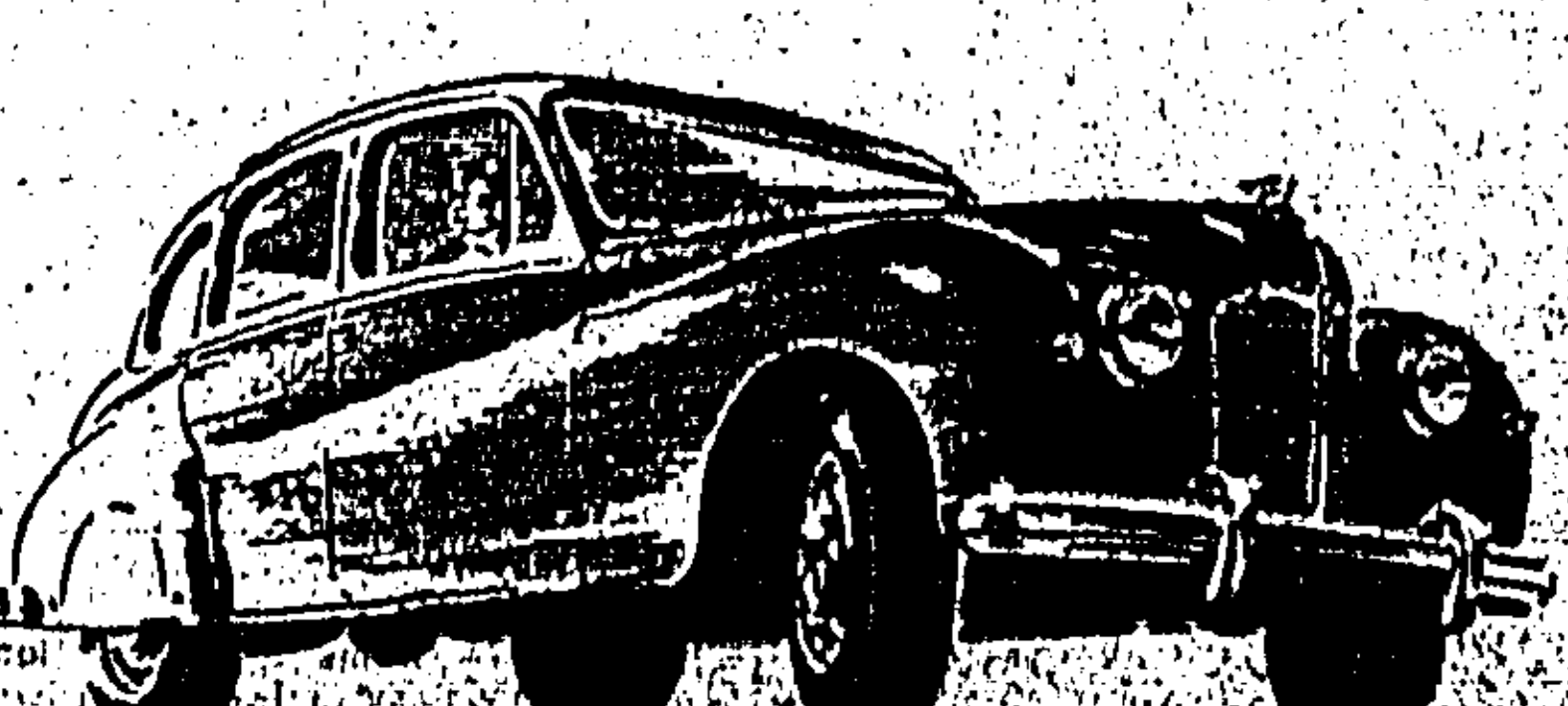
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Peking delegates meet British Labour chiefs

London October 23.

The Chinese People's delegation, led by Mr. Liu Ning-I, Vice-President of the All-China Federation of Labour, met Mr. Morgan Philips, Secretary, and representatives of the British Labour Party, at lunch today.

On behalf of the delegation, Mr. Ning-I issued a statement expressing his appreciation for the invitation of the Labour Party of Britain. It was the desire of the Chinese people that diplomatic and trade relations between China and Britain should be established on the principle of equality, mutual benefit and mutual respect for territorial sovereignty.

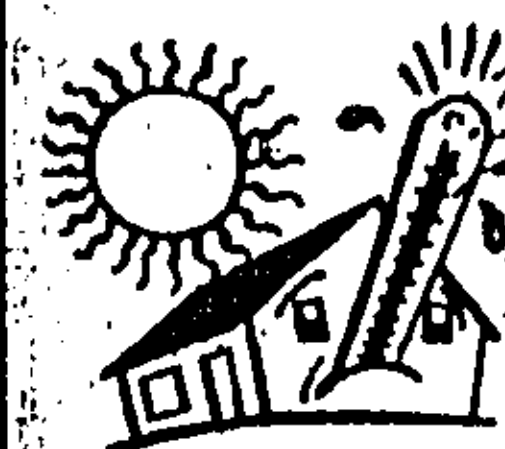
He added, however, "We Chinese people consider that the foreign policy pursued by the British Government forces obstacles in the way of friendship of China and Britain. We Chinese people consider that the British Government is in practice unfriendly to new China since she has not up to the present moment severed all relations with the Kuomintang remnants and the British authorities in Hong Kong, and Malaya are taking repressive measures against the Chinese residing there."

Mr. Ning-I said that the Chinese people were of the opinion that on all important international issues the British Government had always followed and was still following the steps of the American Government.

"The policy of the American Government is a policy of aggression and of destroying world peace. We resolutely oppose this imperialist policy," Mr. Ning-I added.

Regretting that the British Government was participating in the "American armed aggression in Korea," the Chinese leader said, "The struggle of the Korean people for liberation and independence is a just one. Korea is our neighbour. We will not stand aside but will show sympathy and give support to the Korean people's struggle against foreign aggression."

The British proposals put before the United Nations Assembly, he said, would "only provoke our people and compel us to strengthen our efforts in supporting the Korean people in their anti-aggression struggle."—Reuter.



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Woman Today

BATTLE OF THE BULGE

By Carolyn Earle

"I like you just the way you are" is a comforting phrase to hear, especially if it's spoken by someone you care about.

But when it refers to your figure it is wise to accept the compliment with reservations so that you will not be lulled into security and finally find yourself with a shape that bulges hither and yon.

When you are sweet 16 you can be a roly-poly and still look attractive. If the upholstery is evenly spread. But later on, overweight is quite a different story, for the padding seems to bank up in such unwanted places—on hips, around the waist, along the legs and upper arms.

After 30 birthdays, calorie pruning is a "must" for people who are inclined to put on weight. On the other hand, "I'm on a diet" are fighting words in other quarters, because they automatically suggest faddy or starvation eating habits that make the banters haggard, waspish, and hard to get along with in the family circle.

But many a woman who has eaten herself out of a good figure does the reverse by the simple expedient of lopping 200 or 300 calories a day off her ordinary food. It can usually be done by avoiding between-meal nibbling, or by a slight rearrangement of the kinds of foods eaten.

This kind of dieting is slow, but it is practically painless and safe, seeing that most people habitually eat more than they need, anyway. In other words, recent vitamin-packed menus; have broiled rather than fried meats and fish; fresh fruits two or three times a week instead of desserts. Cook vegetables so that they retain maximum mineral and vitamin content.

Whether under or over ideal weight, the same rules hold good for seekers of health and beauty—have a sound eating plan and do some suitable exercise.

Figure care

The two are linked under the heading of figure care.

And, speaking of exercise, all is apt to take the place of daily physical jerks unless the will-power is whipped along, for, frankly, unless the daily dozen is refurbished with new routines at intervals, the whole thing can become the sort of bore that you seek to shelve.

It is only when the East-West line shows visible signs of shortening that those 10 minutes dedicated daily to beauty seem worthwhile.

So do make a point of varying your exercises and, perhaps, include some of the simple kinds of massage mentioned later, which you can do for yourself to good effect.

For the most pleasant and beneficial body massage, of course, the services of a trained operator are needed. Obviously, some parts of the body (the spinal column, for instance) cannot be reached with your own hands to massage with any strength.

Once you experience the delightful sense of relaxation at the hands of an expert masseuse, you will always enjoy it.

Stretched full-length on a warm, wet bath-towel, the mus-

cles are stroked, kneaded, slapped, and pommelled back and front, the skin is smoothed and holed down, and you are finally tucked away comfortably between blankets in a relaxed glow.

Of the numerous ways in which massage can be applied, pressing—a technique used for pepping up circulation, in which the thumbs rest on one point while the fingers describe smooth, deep, rhythmic circles—can be done by the individual, and will be found effective to warm up cold hands and feet.

Use cushions

Use the cushions of the four fingers of one hand to press in a series of circular movements on the back of the other hand, and up the outer side of the arm to the elbow.

Press in circles, also, on the inner side of the arm, over the wrist and up the inside of the arm, to the curve of the elbow. Press solidly in a pattern of overlapping circles that travel in the direction of the blood-vessels for warming purposes. Use both hands on each foot in turn.

Pinching is another adaptable movement when used to tone up flabby muscles. It sounds painful, but the speed with which it is done blurs the reaction.

A fold of skin is picked up between the thumb and first and second fingers in pinching movement, is released suddenly, and the hands shifted to pinch again, and again in quick succession over the area involved.

Probably the need to reduce in the reason that impels most average women to sign up for a course of massage appointments.

This sort of treatment is certainly pleasant, easy, and lazy, with somebody else doing all the work for you.

It will work, too, but the catch is that you do not stay reduced after one course of massage unless you are also correcting diet and lazy habits to prevent the thickness returning.

In other words, professional massage can slim the waistline, narrow the hips, correct a double chin, but it will not KEEP the waist slim, the chin from doubling, and so on, unless you stop eating too much and exercising too little.

Fat acts as a cushion for the skin that covers it, and when a lot of padding disappears sometimes the skin falls into folds because it has nothing to keep it taut. Proper massage prevents this from happening by tightening down the skin and hardening the muscles progressively.

To streamline lumpy legs employ your ten minutes for beauty in kneading, pressing, and wringing the fat away. Use some preparation to prevent friction—talcum powder has a quality known as "slip," which makes manipulation easier and prevents skin irritation.

Copenhagen Collar



This full short coat in black, gray and white check was shown at the recent Danish fashion show in Copenhagen. It is worn over a pencil skirt of black wool. The accessories are in black.—AP Photo.

Quick, it's cooked

By Queenie Newcombe

How do you use your pressure cooker? It can be your "right-hand man" in the kitchen—or it can be tucked away and forgotten like many pressure cookers I know.

I'm a busy person, and I wouldn't be without mine for worlds. It is my quick and faithful worker, and experience, not the cookery book, has taught me how to get the best out of it.

Take beetroot, for instance. It doesn't take a minute to slip half a dozen beet in the pressure cooker, cook them for 15 minutes only, and then dish them up beautifully tender, deep red, and of perfect flavour.

Then there is that lovely hot steamed apple pudding that the menfolk go crazy over.

Instead of boiling it for two hours I make mine in 10 minutes in my pressure cooker. And there's no fiddling about with greasy basins and pudding cloths as the pudding is made straight in the cooker.

This is how it's done: Just peel and core your apples, cut them into quarters, and lay them at the bottom of the cooker. Sprinkle them with sugar and the usual half a cup of water.

Then make your dough. I use 4 oz. flour and 2 oz. suet.

Roll this out in a circle large enough to cover the apples. Then give the pudding 10 minutes pressure.

There is no turning out to bother with, just serve each person's portion straight out of the cooker. Sprinkle each portion with a little brown sugar and if you want to do as we do in Devonshire serve the top of the milk with it as well.

Then there's the Sunday joint. It isn't very big I know, but it can be tough sometimes.

I give mine just 15 minutes' pressure, cooking first, then slip it in the oven in hot fat for half an hour and it is always tender.

Potatoes get the same treatment and they get five minutes' pressure cooking first. This saves me a whole lot of time on Sunday morning, and the joint is always tender and the potatoes all the more floury for their bit of preliminary cooking.

As for a tough old fowl I just love to get hold of one, and I don't care how ancient it is. The other day I had an old hen that looked as if it was the oldest bird in England. I jointed it, fried it lightly first in the frying-pan, then pressure-cooked all the joints together for 20 minutes until they were tender.

Ration spinner

Then I treated it like a spring chicken and roasted the joints with the potatoes in hot fat in the oven until all was golden and crisp. I had a job to convince my family that the succulent "chicken" was really a lady of very uncertain age!

Now here is something for you to try in your cooker for lunch tomorrow. Place half a pound of minced beef in your cooker with a good-sized chopped onion, a tomato, a tablespoonful of chutney or pickle, half a pint of water or gravy, salt and pepper.

Cut a slice of white bread and lay this on the top of the meat. Pressure cook this for a quarter of an hour. Then take a fork and beat the bread into the gravy and meat.

Fit for a king

This will give you a tasty dish of meat with a very savoury gravy, fit for a king—or a hungry husband.

Never forget you've got a pressure cooker when it comes to dried fruit. Always soak your fruit first and remember that eight minutes will be enough to cook and plump up any dried fruit beautifully.

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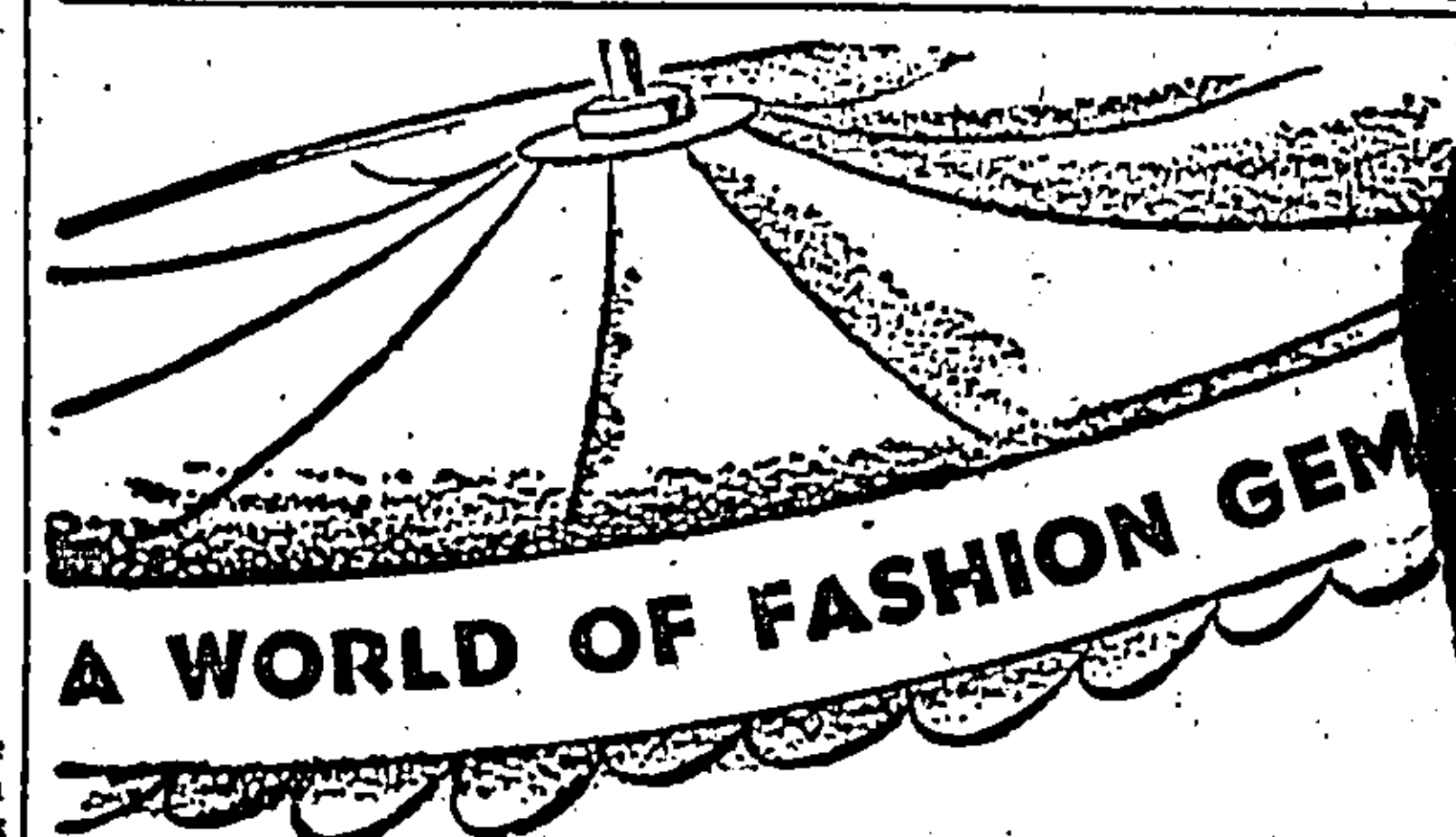
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VIETMINH LAUNCH NEW ATTACKS

Crackdown on Reds in Australia and U.S.

Sydney, October 23. The Security Police raided Communist Party offices in Australia's major cities today in the first mass crackdown under the country's new anti-Communist law.

Vast piles of Communist literature were seized in swoops in Sydney, Melbourne, Hobart and Darwin.

In Sydney, the police raided the building housing the "Eureka Youth Movement" headquarters and the editorial offices of the Communist newspaper, "Tribune," which had said it would continue to publish in defiance of the new law.

Documents, files and pamphlets were removed in the Sydney raids. No arrests were made but several persons were questioned.

In Darwin, security agents struck at the offices of the North Australian Workers Union and the "Northern Standard" newspaper as well as the home of Mr. Carne, secretary of the Darwin branch of the Communist Party.

Agents left Carne's house carrying piles of Communist literature.

The scope of the crackdown was limited by a new court order temporarily forbidding the Government to enforce certain provisions of the new law. The restraining order prohibits the Government from removing leaders of the Communist party from office, from dismissing Government workers who are Communists and from outlawing organisations other than the Communist Party.

In Washington, the U.S. Government announced today that it has arrested 10 top alien Communists and is rounding up 76 more.

The Justice Department described all 86 as very active Communists. The new Internal Security Act gives the Attorney General authority to hold such aliens in custody for six months pending their deportation. The Department said that the 86 will be gaoled and then transferred to Ellis Island in New York harbour. Some of the 86 already have deportation orders pending against them but the Government has been unable to get rid of them.

The 10 were arrested during the past 24 hours in various cities: In San Francisco—Noyah Yanishevsky, 41-year-old Russian who has been in the United States since 1917; Errest Fuchs, 44-year-old German here since 1910; New York—Franjo or Frank Borik or Boris, Yugoslav who has been here since 1913; Philadelphia—Vincent or Vinko Kemovich, Yugoslav ordered to be deported in 1932; Chicago—Moses Resnikoff, 64 Russian who has been here since 1903; Vincent Andrus or Andrusiewicz, 60, Lithuanian; Seattle—Eneso Mangungao, 48-year old native of the Philippine Islands, here since 1908; Los Angeles—David Hyun, 33, Korean and citizen of China, here since 1924; Harry Carlisle, 52, British citizen, here since 1908; and Solomon Skolnick, 37, native of Poland, here since 1920.

Those 10 and others for whom warrants have been issued were described as propagandists for international Communism. They operated through labour unions, foreign language publications and Communist front organisations.

If their home countries refuse to take them back the Government can deport them to the country of their last residence or to any other country that will take them.—United Press.

Saigon, October 23. Vietminh forces, now masters of most of the China frontier area of North Indo-China, have launched new attacks on the last 75-mile stretch of the French-held frontier road. The French military authorities here disclosed today that these attacks on the strategic road began two days ago in the region of Tien Yen, on the coast.

The main French forces were being withdrawn from the mountainous border area to form a new defence line across the Red River delta around Hanoi, the capital of Tonkin Province.

A French military spokesman said that strong French patrolling was continuing around the delta perimeter. He reported Vietminh infiltrations in the South West sector of the perimeter, and added that guerrillas were stepping up their raids in Cochinchina, where railways had been sabotaged and roads cut.

The spokesman said that rebel concentrations were now reappearing 25 miles North of Saigon, after the recent French sweeps through the area.

In his quarters here, General Alphonse Juin, France's leading strategist, prepared an immediate report for the French Cabinet. General Juin returned yesterday from a four-day tour of the battle areas in Tonkin Province.

New front
The new French Northern front in Tonkin now pivots on the town of Dinh Lap, on the border road about 30 miles North West of Tien Yen. The French hold the road to Tien Yen, and then Eastwards to Moncy, on the Chinese border. Inland from Dinh Lap, the line runs South West to Phu Lang Thuong, 40 miles North East of Hanoi. Skirting the capital by 25 or 30 miles, it then stretches to Phu Tho, about 45 miles North West of Hanoi.

From there it continues North West to Lao Kay, about 110 miles away, on the border with China's Yunnan Province.

Rebel trick
The French columns who evacuated the Indo-China frontier post of Cao Bang were tricked into jungle ambushes by rebels calling out in French, German and Arabic, according to General Marcel Carpentier, the French Commander in the Far East.

The French had heavy casualties, added the General. General Carpentier, reviewing the series of French reverses in

Indo-China, said yesterday that in April, May and June the French Command suddenly realised the increased power of the Vietminh and knew that groups were going into China to help the Communists against the Nationalist guerrillas.

In July the Vietminh increase in strength was more apparent. Battalions were crossing the frontier for a few weeks, getting training and American equipment. In the next two months the fighting power of the Vietminh had enormously increased.—Reuter.

JEWIS OPPOSE GERMAN ARMING

Paris, October 23. The World Jewish Congress strongly opposes the rearmament of Western Germany, the Congress leader, Leon Kubowitzki, said here today.

He told a news conference that a great gulf remains between the Germans and the Jews and added that the World Jewish Congress is against the maintenance of a Jewish community in Germany. Mr. Kubowitzki, President of the Congress General Council and a member of the Israeli Executive, said the importance of Israel's economic crisis had been exaggerated. He added that economic conditions generally are satisfactory despite enormous taxes imposed by the increasing rate of immigration. For the moment, he said, Israel is suffering from a temporary food crisis.

He deplored what he called France's failure to seek closer cultural ties with Israel. He added that on the other hand, Israel had adopted French as an official language, replacing English.

Mr. Kubowitzki, yesterday attended a meeting of French members of the World Jewish Congress. The Congress was organised several years ago to protect Jewish interests throughout the world. It has principal offices in New York, Geneva, London, Buenos Aires and Paris.—Associated Press.

ALLEGED BOAST:

"First man to get into the Palace"

London, October 23. Douglas Monro, 25-year-old Glasgow-born seaman, was said in Court here today to have boasted: "I am going to be the first man to get into Buckingham Palace and out again."

He was charged with breaking into the Palace on the night of October 12-13, 1950, and stealing a Royal despatch box containing documents.

The Prosecutor alleged that Monro entered the precincts of the Palace twice on the night of the alleged offence. Monro was arrested following a probe at the Palace by Britain's top detectives, begun when the despatch box was found in a dustbin. Monro pleaded not guilty.

A crowded Court-room heard the Prosecutor, Mr. F. D. Barry, say that Monro had been drinking and had boasted of his plans to a neighbour before leaving home.

On a table inside the Palace were three despatch cases. Monro took the nearest one, left the Palace and went to a railway station, where he broke open the case.

After rummaging through the papers, the Prosecutor added, Monro threw the case and the contents into nearby dustbin,

where it was found later by an Irish Guard.

Mr. Barry said that Monro then went back to the Palace. He climbed the railings and entered the grounds again.

A police officer who had been watching challenged him and an armed sentry stepped forward at the same time. Monro told them that he was looking for a place to sleep.

Monro said in evidence that "I am willing to be punished for entering into the grounds of Buckingham Palace, but I plead not guilty to the charge of burglary." The seaman was remanded in custody for trial at the Central Criminal Court.—Reuter.

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President and Sultan



The Sultan of Morocco, Sidi Mohamed Ben Youssef, arrived in Paris from Bordeaux on the second stage of his official visit to France. He is seen here (left) seated with President Auriol in the latter's car on arrival. (AP Photo).

Austria's hopes are based on European unity

New York, October 23. The Austrian Foreign Minister, Dr. Karl Gruber, declared here tonight that his country's hopes were based on European unification. This would overcome, he said, the "wall of barbed wire" and minefields on her Easter front.

Dr. Gruber was delivering to the Foreign Policy Association an address entitled "Austria—Between East and West."

"Along the greater part of the Austrian frontier," he said, "there is a wall of barbed wire which is usually insurmountable for the average person. For hundreds of miles it extends along the frontier and is fortified by minefields in which many people have already been killed."

On the subject of a united European Government, Dr. Gruber said that such a government will not emerge until some uniform rules of financing State expenditures and uniform currency measures have come into being.

"The Council of Europe at Strasbourg has not yet attempted vigorous and concerted action for unification. That is one of the reasons why Austria has not yet become a member of the Council."

A forum

"We look on the Paris organization of the Marshall Plan as the forum where most of the practical work for Europe can be done for the time being."

Dr. Gruber said Austria was still hoping to be admitted to the United Nations, but was not too sorry that "we have been unable to participate in the work of the United Nations during its long period of frustration."

He suggested that the United Nations should embrace all governments with territorial powers vested in them without regard to their internal structure.

Mentioning Austria's desire for membership as one of the aims of her foreign policy, Dr. Gruber urged that admission should be decided by automatically applicable rules instead of debate case

Schmid says "No" to arming

Munich, October 22.

Dr. Carlo Schmid, Deputy President of the Bundestag (Lower House), today told a Social Democratic Party rally here: "We say 'no' to remilitarisation because under the present distribution of military power the defence of Western Europe is nothing but dilettantism."

"About 200 Russian divisions are being faced by about 15 Western European ones. Should we agree to contribute another six or eight, we might perhaps succeed in delaying the Russian arrival at the Atlantic coast for two weeks and enable a few people to get to the Statue of Liberty just in time."

"However, we prefer to have a unified people to be bolstered in unimagined homes to having them take their Communist lessons as crumbles in bomb-holes under ruins."

"There is but one way out: the United States must concentrate its greatest power in Europe. Half-way measures do not guarantee half the protection but will result in ten-fold destruction."

"The United States and Russia are merely concerned with winning the last battle. Our very existence, however, is tied up with the outcome of the first one. If the West is strong enough to catch up the first attack on the Elbe river and can then fight the second battle beyond the Weichsel River (now in Poland), the Social Democratic Party is prepared to recommend to the German people to contribute to the defence of the Western world. Nothing, however, can be done in this direction without the approval of the Social Democratic Party," Dr. Schmid said.—Reuter.

London, October 23.

The Duke of Edinburgh, who flew home from Malta for the christening of Princess Anne, his daughter, on Saturday, will fly back on Wednesday to rejoin his ship, the Maggie. He will leave London Airport in a machine of the King's Flight.—Reuter.

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**Descendants of
Genghis Khan
leaving Europe**

Frankfurt, October 22.
 The remnants of the descend-
 ants of Genghis Khan's Mongo-
 lian hordes are about to leave
 Europe forever—the continent
 they terrified in the 13th century.

This time it will be a retreat
 with honour—to Paraguay in
 South America.

And in contrast to their former
 thousands, today only 700 re-
 main as a group.
 These remaining descendants of
 Genghis Khan—known as Kal-
 mucks—have been living in dis-
 placed persons camps in Germany
 since the war.

The International Refugee Or-
 ganisation solved the problem of
 their future by finding some
 businessmen in Asuncion, Par-
 aguay, who promised the Kal-
 mucks enough land to rebuild
 their communal life.

A preliminary group of about
 100 of the young men will leave
 for Paraguay soon. They will
 start to convert the 9,000 acres of
 land to be turned over to
 them South East of Asuncion
 into what the Kalmucks say will
 be their final home.

The travels of the Kalmucks
 and their search for a "homeland"
 almost rival those of the Jews.
 It dates back centuries to the
 days after the death of Genghis
 Khan and his grandson, Batu—
 after the hordes had threatened
 the entire continent.

Their difficulties under the
 Czars were tremendous.
 Catherine the Great and Peter
 the Great persecuted them and
 large numbers gathered on the
 Volga, burned their villages
 and set off to return to China
 whence their ancestors came.

Of the 300,000 who were sup-
 posed to have started the trek
 "home" less than a third are be-
 lieved to have arrived.

During the Bolshevik revolution
 they fought with the White Rus-
 sians and many fled into exile
 when the Bolsheviks won. The
 Soviet exiled thousands to
 Siberia. During the last 30
 years the refugees scattered all
 over Eastern Europe until the
 Nazis reunited them by sending
 them to Germany, along with
 millions of others, for forced
 labour.

When the war ended they land-
 ed in displaced person camps
 where for the first time they
 have been one of the most difficult
 problems to solve until the Par-
 aguayans offered to help. Most
 countries did not want them be-
 cause they are Orientals.

The Kalmucks are Buddhists
 and have their own language.
 They were also famous breeders
 and trainers, having tended the
 famous Cossack horses in Russia.
 —United Press.

**CABINET
REPORTED
SPLIT**

Paris, October 22.
 The Government is split wide
 open on the question of rearm-
 ing Germany and political
 quarters foresaw the possibility
 tonight that the Cabinet might
 fall when the situation came up
 in the National Assembly, on
 Tuesday.

The Prime Minister, M. Rene
 Pleven, the Foreign Minister, M.
 Robert Schuman, the Defence
 Minister, M. Jules Moch, and the
 Justice Minister, M. Rene Mayer,
 met in an attempt to reach an
 agreement before the Cabinet
 met as a whole on Monday.

After three hours, M. Moch said
 he and the others were in com-
 plete agreement but would con-
 tinue to work on their statement
 tonight until it was finished and
 ready to be put before the
 Cabinet. M. Moch thus indicated
 that the movement to oppose
 German rearmament would con-
 tinue.

The Cabinet must approve the
 text of the German armament
 declaration which M. Pleven is
 to make during the full-dress
 debate in the Assembly on Tues-
 day. In effect, M. Pleven's state-
 ment will constitute instructions
 for the Defence Minister when he
 flies to Washington later in the
 week to attend the meeting of the
 Atlantic Pact Defence Ministers.

Most of the Atlantic pact
 powers support the American
 plan to include German units in
 the Western European de-
 fence force. France's position
 is important considering her
 key position, but Frenchmen,
 from the man in the street to
 Cabinet members, are sharply
 divided.

The Foreign Ministry was re-
 ported to favour limited German
 rearmament. The Communist bloc
 is naturally against it and the
 Socialists, including the Defence
 Minister himself, say they will
 agree to German rearmament only
 after Europe has united under
 a genuine political authority.
 Enough other groups stick to the
 traditional French fear of Ger-
 many to make an Assembly
 majority against the American
 plan possible.—United Press.

Ottawa, October 23.
 A Canadian Government source
 said today that a peacetime ver-
 sion of the wartime Hyde Park
 agreement, to mesh the economies
 of Canada and the United States
 for defence production, will be
 signed in Washington on Thurs-
 day.—Associated Press.

**Bad news from
Food Minister**

London, October 23.
 "Britain's food position is
 less favourable than a year
 ago, and we shall now not be
 able to abandon existing ration-
 ing as we had hoped," the
 Food Minister, Mr. Maurice
 Webb said today.

Mr. Webb succeeded Mr.
 John Strachey at the Food
 Ministry on March 1 of this
 year.

Addressing the Guild of
 Agricultural Journalists in
 London he said that he now
 feared he would not be able
 to carry out the "easements"
 he had hoped to be able to
 in the next six months, owing
 to changing conditions.

He added, however, "I hope
 and believe that we shall not
 have to return to any kind of
 rationing which we have aban-
 doned."—Reuter.

TREASON TRIAL

Vienna, October 23.
 Anton Reinthaller, Minister of
 Agriculture in the Seys-Inquart
 Government, which in 1938 car-
 ried through the Anschluss—union
 of Austria with Germany—was
 tried here today for high treason.
 He was accused of being among
 those responsible for the An-
 schluss, also of being a Nazi be-
 fore then.

Reinthaller was first arrested
 in the summer of 1945. He was
 sent to Nuremberg to be a witness
 in the trials of Hitler's leading
 henchmen. Released in Novem-
 ber, 1948, he was re-arrested in
 July, 1949, and has since been
 held in a Vienna prison.—Reuter.

**BRITAIN CLARIFIES
STAND ON GERMANY**

London, October 23.

Britain is in favour of bringing Western Germany
into the defence of Europe, the Foreign Of-
fice reaffirmed today.

The statement was issued to clear up possible
confusion over a week-end speech by Mr.
Morgan Phillips, General Secretary of the
Labour Party, in which he said that the Gov-
ernment had not yet decided on the question
of German rearmament.

Mr. Phillips was reported
to have told the International
Socialist Conference in Paris
yesterday that "neither the
British Government nor the
Labour Party have made up
its mind about German rear-
mament. It is a tragic dilem-
ma—choice between two
evils."

In fact, it is generally known
that the Foreign Secretary, Mr.
Ernest Bevin, with full Cabinet
support, agreed to support the
inclusion of a German armed
contingent in an Atlantic Pact
army, subject to necessary safe-
guards, when the matter was dis-
cussed at the conference of Wes-
tern Foreign Ministers in New
York last month.

The Foreign Office statement
said, "Statements attributed to
Mr. Morgan Phillips may have
led to some misapprehension
about the attitude of the British
Government towards the position
of Germany in connection with
European defence. The British
Government's attitude on this

question was made clear to the
other governments concerned
during the meeting of the North
Atlantic Council in New York
and has not changed.

"They consider that Ger-
many should be enabled to
make an appropriate contribu-
tion to the build-up of the
defence of Western democracy.
"The conditions and methods
by which this might be brought
about are still under discussion
between the governments."

The British Government, it is
understood, was anxious that no
misunderstanding about its de-
clared attitude on the question
of German rearmament should
exist on the eve of this week's dis-
cussions on the problem in the
Military and Defence Committees
of the North Atlantic Pact in
Washington.

This morning Mr. Bevin was
present at a Cabinet meeting at
which it is believed that the
whole question was again review-
ed in the light of the conference
last week-end of East-European
Foreign Ministers in Prague.—
Reuter.

**Rolling war
technique
of Kremlin**

Sydney, October 23.
Reg Armstrong, a Sydney
newspaperman, has a new name
to describe alleged Kremlin-
inspired, scattered outbreaks of
war, such as in Korea and Indo-
China.

It is the rolling war technique,
he says.

Armstrong compared the
"rolling war" technique to the
"rolling strike" technique which
plagued Australian industry in
the past year. "Rolling" strikes
popped up in strategic Com-
munist-dominated waterfront
mining unions. They were usu-
ally quick flare-ups of a day or
two duration, and usually in-
volved a thin industrial issue.

They "rolled" from one po-
int to another, and from one indus-
try to another, such as from the
waterfront to coal mining.

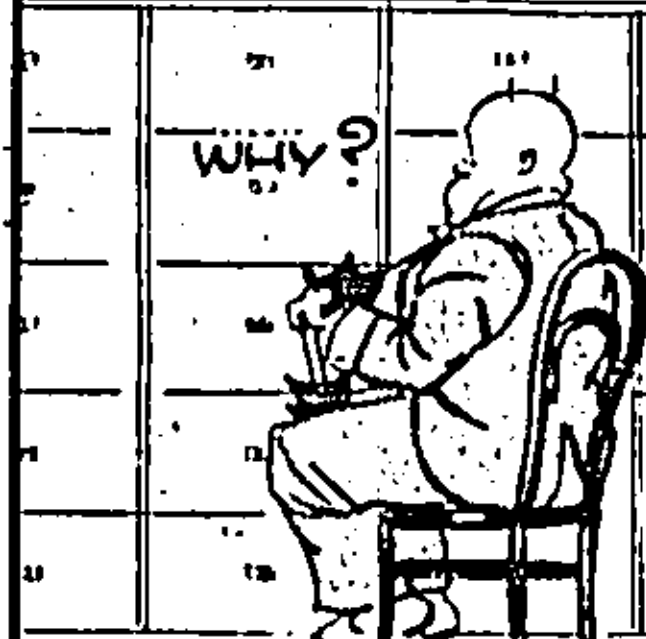
The Menzies-Fadden Govern-
ment cracked down on the Red
union leaders with the support of
Australian Labour Party moder-
ates and the "rolling strikes"
sizzled out, well before the out-
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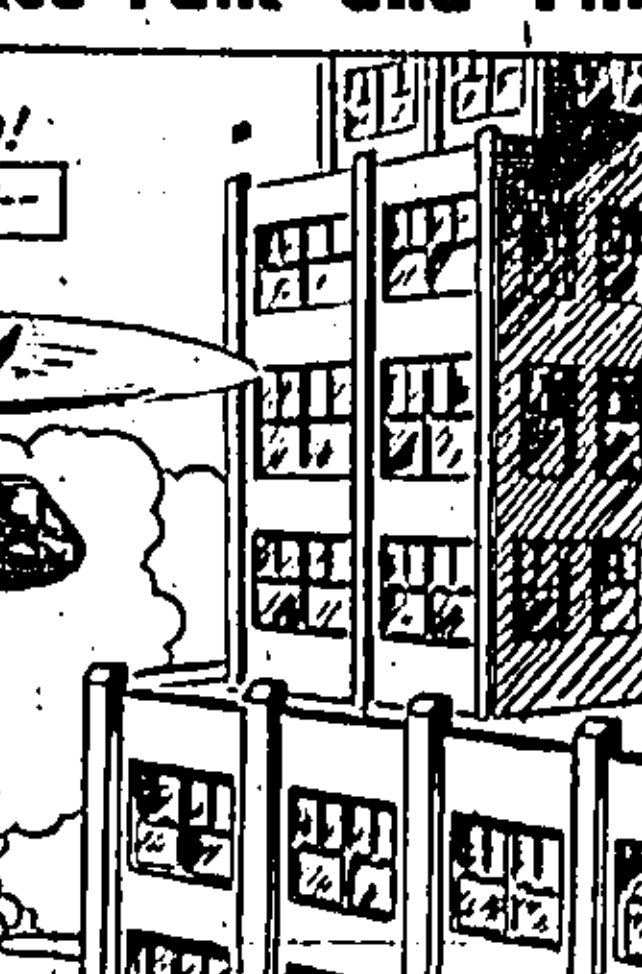
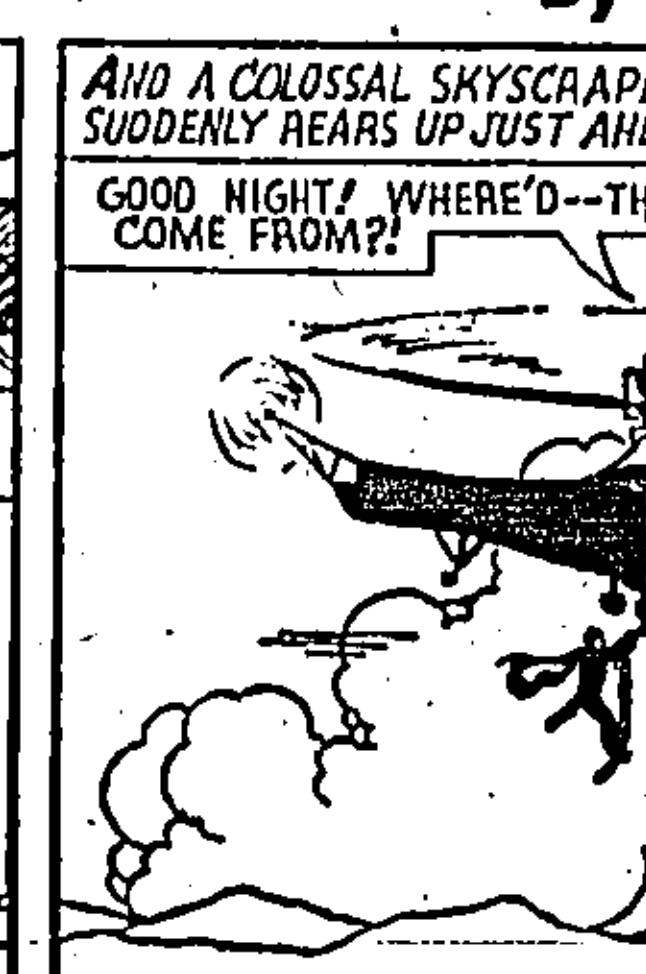
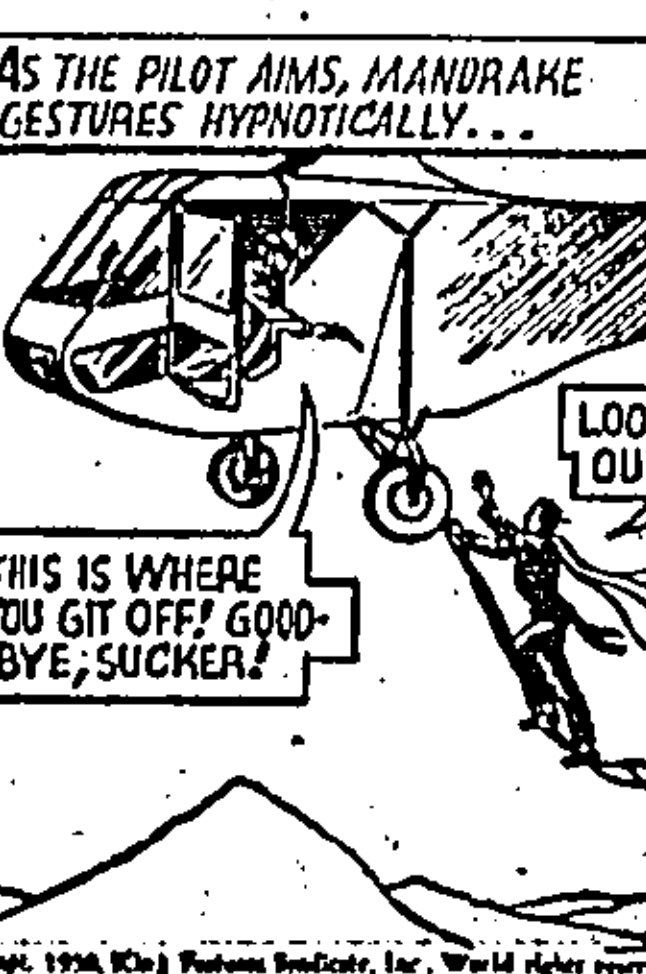
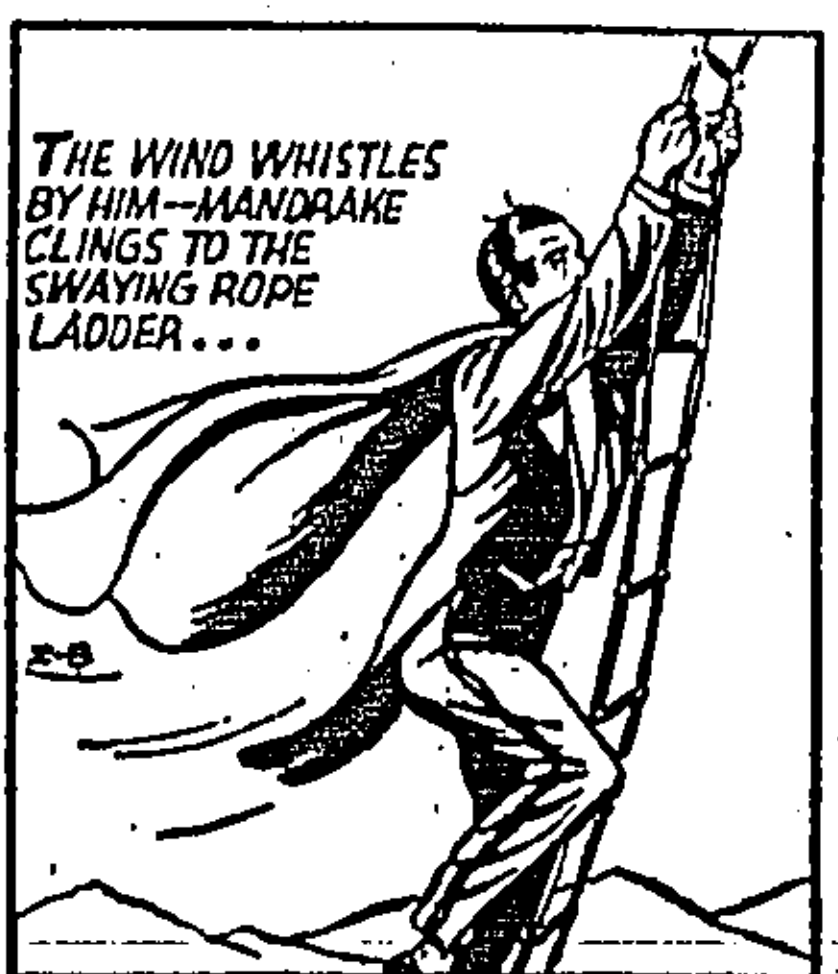
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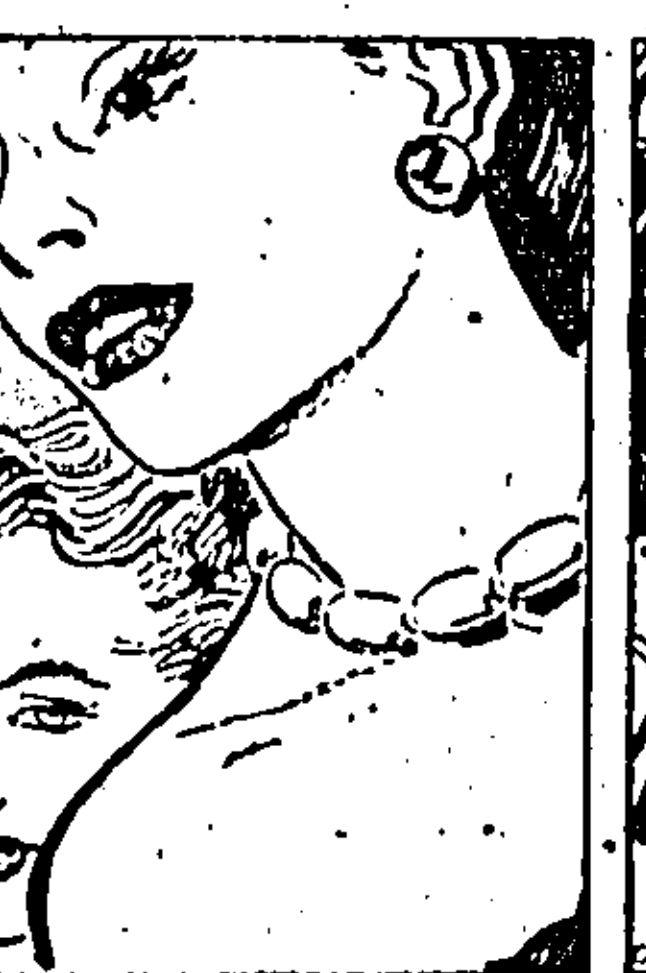
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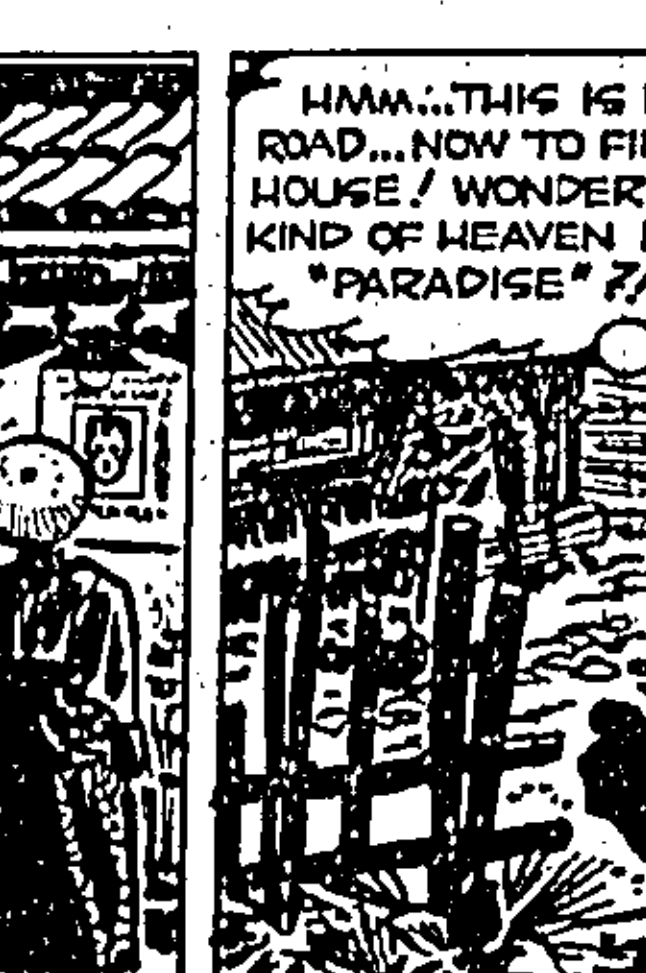
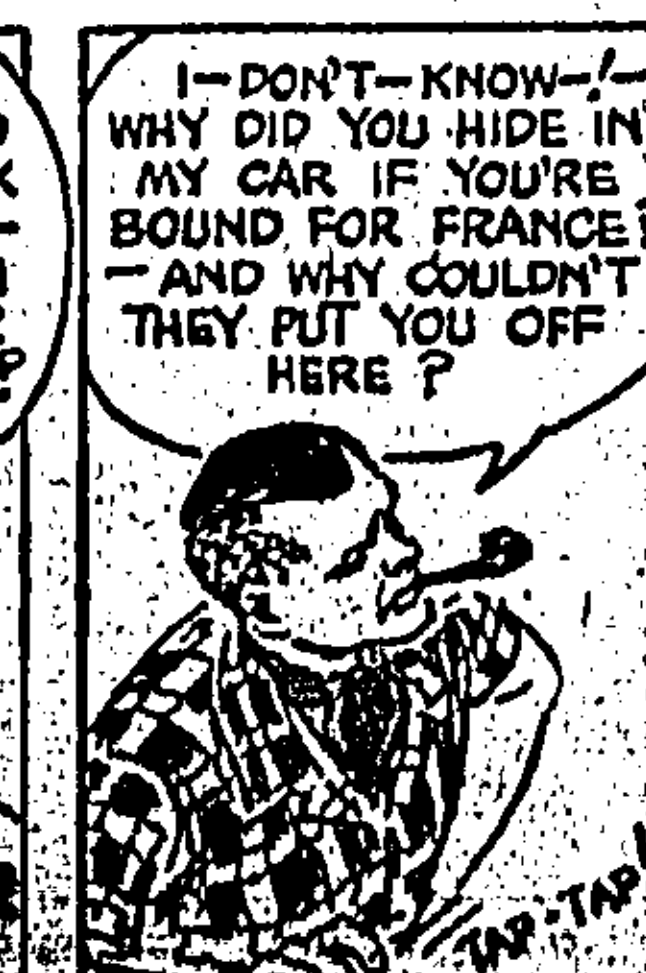
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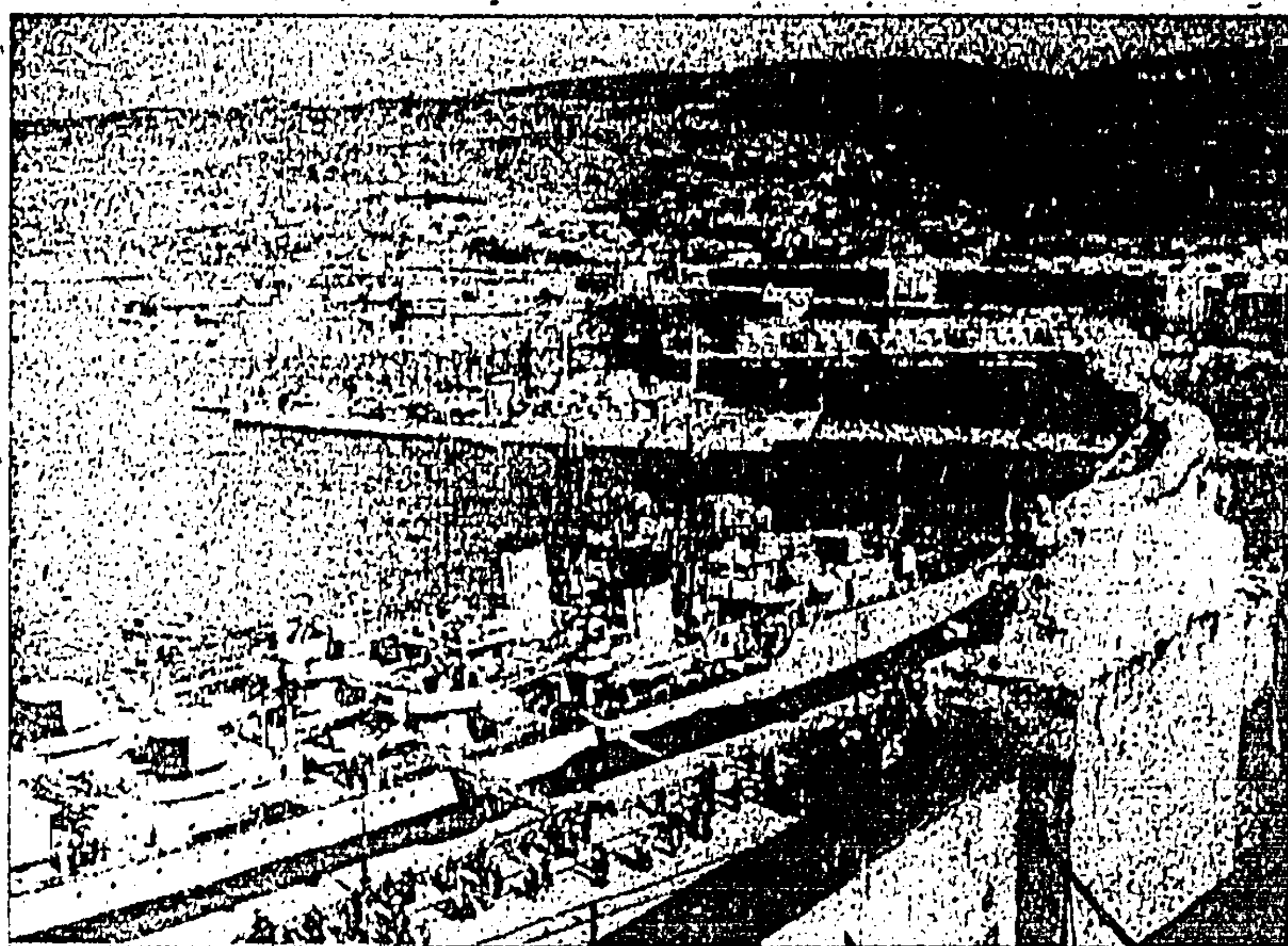
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Royal Navy visits Trieste



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TRAGIC FUTURE OF SHANGHAI REFUGEES

Geneva, October 23.

Empire plan for Asia aid

Washington, October 23. The New Zealand External Affairs Minister, Mr. Frederick Dalglish, told a Press conference today:

"The British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Hugh Gaitskell, will make an announcement on the Commonwealth Colombo Plan for economic aid to Asia early next month. I hope he will also tell about U.S. co-operation with the plan. We have got to stem the Communist tide in Asia and we cannot do it by force alone. We have had to adopt military methods in Korea, Indo-China and Malaya, but we must lift the standard of living in the Far East."

"We must have the practical sympathy of the United States for this and Mr. Gaitskell has expressed the hope that the United States will be associated with us. The main concern of the Asiatic is an empty rice bowl and we must try to fill it. I have discussed this problem with John Foster Dulles, State Department Far Eastern adviser, in New York and on Monday with President Truman and the Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, here. They clearly showed their sympathy and I feel there will be tangible progress very soon in the way of U.S. co-operation."—United Press.

More than 5,000 European refugees still stranded in Shanghai face a tragic future in view of the withdrawal of the necessary foreign consular services required to get them out, an official of the International Refugee Organisation said recently.

Mr. R. J. Youdin, who recently returned from Hong Kong where he investigated the situation in Shanghai for the IRO, said in an interview that the Communists are not persecuting the refugees, most of whom are White Russians who fled the Bolshevik revolution.

It is, however, becoming increasingly difficult for them to earn a living, he reported, and the IRO does not expect to be able to give them material aid after next spring.

It will be a tragedy if these refugees cannot be evacuated before the end of IRO's mandate next September, Mr. Youdin said. He said the withdrawal of consular services following the Communist capture of Shanghai makes it impossible to process the refugees for resettlement. Countries are unwilling to accept them in transit unless they are sure some other country will take them, and this cannot be ascertained without missions on the spot.

The IRO estimates that nearly 4,000 will be left when the organization's mandate ends next year. Mr. Youdin said the evacuation of some 5,700 of the original number to the Philippine Island of Samar in the spring of 1949 has disrupted the system of

mutual assistance which they had organized among themselves. Many who did not require care and maintenance, previously are now badly in need of support.

The IRO spokesman said that while the Communist government has put some obstacles in IRO's way, it has been amazingly helpful on other occasions. He said the government recently supplied special trains and ambulances to transport some 232 Jews from Shanghai to Tientsin to join the Swedish ship, the Anna Salen, bound for Europe and Israel.

The Communists joined the Chinese Nationalists and the United States Navy in giving the IRO special permission to send this ship to pick up the Shanghai refugees. On the other hand, the regime refused to allow the director of IRO's Shanghai office to return after he left to attend a conference in Geneva.

The IRO has been successful in resettling all but a handful of an estimated 15,000 Jewish refugees from Nazi Germany. Mr. Youdin said. He stated that a large majority have been accepted for resettlement in Israel but about 1,000 still remain. Some 300 may receive United States visas, and the rest will have an opportunity to go to Israel, Germany or Austria if they wish to do so, Mr. Youdin said.—United Press.

TIN AT NEW HIGH

Singapore, October 24. Malayan tin reached a new record price today, selling at \$544.12 1/2 per picul (one-sixteenth of a ton). This was an increase of \$2.5 in 24 hours.

Rubber dropped from the record price of \$52 per pound to \$51.93.—Associated Press.

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H.K.T. A.M.	
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12.35	Italo De Costa (Piano) and Orchestra.
12.45	"From the Films".
1.15	News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.30	London Studio Concert—The Westminster Orchestra (BBC).
2.05	Close Down.
P.M.	
6.00	"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.
6.02	"John Bull's Hand"—Famous Hits of Yesterday & Today. (BBC).
6.30	Three Songs by Dennis Noble, 6.40—Carlos Nunes and His Coconut Grove Serenaders. (Studio).
7.00	"Lark Dip"—Variety Requests. Presented by Pauline Spence. (Studio).
8.00	World News and News Analysis. (London Relay).
8.15	"Orchestra of the Week"—The Philharmonia Orchestra.
8.45	Social Story—"Shadow of the King"—Written and Read by Jonathan Sny. (Part 7). (Studio).
9.00	"From the Editorials". (London Relay).
9.10	Weather Report.
9.11	Services Spot-Light—With the Band of the Middlesex Regiment. (Relay from the N.A.A.F.I. Club, Kowloon).
9.40	Second Programme in the Series—Presented by the British Council. (Studio).
10.10	"French Cabaret".
10.30	Theatre Melodies.
11.00	Radio News Reel. (London Relay).
11.15	Weather Report.
11.15	"Goodnight Music". God Save the King.
11.20	Close Down.

Rediffusion

H.K.T. A.M.	
7.00	Up with the Sun.
7.30	Musical Clock.
7.45	Morning Variety.
8.00	News & Weather Forecast.
8.15	Variety.
8.30	Breakfast Session.
9.00	Morning Music.
9.10	A programme for Women.
9.30	Morning Variety.
10.00	News—Relay—Voice of America.
10.15	Relay—M.D.C.—Manila.
11.00	News—Relay—Armed Forces Radio Service.
11.15	Relay—M.D.C.—Manila.
P.M.	
12.00	H.K. Stock Exchange.
12.15	Time Time.
12.30	Variety Banquet.
1.00	Hawaiian Music.
1.15	News.
1.30	London Studio Concert.
2.00	Afternoon Musicale.
4.00	BBC News.
4.10	Slim Bryant and His Wildcats.
4.30	Vocally Yours.
5.00	Music Makers.
5.15	Harmony Hall.
5.30	Children's Corner.
5.40	Radio Headlines.
6.00	Request Show.
6.30	The Jumps! Jazzy.
6.45	Do You Remember?
7.00	Four Men in a Jeep.
7.15	Candlelight and Silver.
7.30	Hits of 1937.
7.40	BBC News.
8.10	Local News.
8.15	Concert Miniatures.
8.30	"Music by Roth".
9.00	Musical Merry Go Round.
9.15	Vincent Lopez and His Orchestra.
9.30	Concert Favourites.
10.00	BBC News.
10.10	Local News.
10.15	French Cabaret.
10.30	Rev's A Laugh.
11.00	At the Late Show.
11.30	A Date with Dreamland.
12.00	Close Down.

SCIENCE' COUNCIL FOR AFRICA

Pretoria, October 23.

The Governments of Britain, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, France, Belgium and Portugal have agreed on the details of a Scientific Council for Africa South of the Sahara. It was announced by the Department of External Affairs today.

The Council, which is to meet provisionally for the first time in Nairobi on November 21, will comprise 13 eminent scientists. They will meet once a year to study the problems of the vast region.

The most likely permanent home for its secretariat will be Costermansville in the Belgian Congo.—Associated Press.

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"CANTON"	10th November	11th December
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Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Padang & Singapore.		
HOMEWARDS	LEAVES HONGKONG	DUE LONDON
"CORFU"	27th Oct. (8 a.m.)	27th November
"CANTON"	24th November	11th December
"CHUBAN"	24th November	11th December
"CARTRIDGE"	22nd December	22nd January
"CORFU"	19th January	19th February
"CANTON"	16th February	16th March
"CHUBAN"	24th February	24th March

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Malan to hear views of coloured people

Johannesburg, October 23. The South African Prime Minister, Dr. Daniel Malan, and the Finance Minister, Mr. N. C. Havenga, have agreed to hear the views of the Cape coloured people on a proposal to give them separate parliamentary representation.

A letter from the Premier to Mr. G. J. Golding, Chairman of the National Convention of Coloured People, said that he and Mr. Havenga were willing to meet a deputation in Pretoria on November 13.

The Premier and Mr. Havenga announced on October 13 a decision to remove Cape coloureds from the common roll of electors and place them on a separate roll.

Legislation to put this decision into effect was expected to be passed by the Government during the next parliamentary session.

Cape coloured people with the stipulated property and income qualifications are at present listed with white voters in Cape Province. They vote with them for

white candidates for the House of Assembly, South Africa's Lower House.

As it is a provision of the South African Act that only Europeans shall sit in either House of Parliament, the coloured population will be represented in the Senate and the Assembly by Europeans.

As far as possible the quota per constituency will be the same for European and coloured people. Should the number of seats in the Assembly be increased, the coloured representation will be increased in relation to the European agreement.

The statement outlining the agreement added that Dr. Malan and Mr. Havenga were satisfied that the arrangement on which they had agreed would in no way diminish the existing political rights of the coloured population, and would not conflict with the South Africa Act.

It said that Dr. Malan and Mr. Havenga had agreed that the separate exercise of their political rights was in the interests of the coloured people as well as of Europeans.—Reuter.

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World depends on the UN

New Delhi, October 23. Pandit Nehru, the Prime Minister of India, in a United Nations message, said "On the fate of the United Nations, which faces a severe crisis today, depends the fate of war and peace and the future of the world."

The message, which was sent to the United Nations Association here, added: "We should try our best to get over the present crisis, and stop this drift to war."

"It is clear," the message said, "that the United Nations will cease to be 'What the Original Charter intended them to be if important nations of the world cannot function through them or if there is a partition of ways between some nations and others.'"

The message pledged India's support to the United Nations and said "India is devoted to peace and because of this it is supporting the United Nations and will continue to support it."

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	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

REARMAMENT PROBLEMS

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

Share prices remained unchanged on the Stock Exchange yesterday with one exception. North Point Wharves hit a new 1950 high of \$6.10.

Hong Kong Electric set the pace in the Utility section with 4500 shares done at \$28 1/2.

At the final bell the market was very steady.

In the Rubber department bulls were again in evidence, but sellers are getting very scarce and the turnover was small.

The trend looks higher and the undertone is strong.

H.K. GOVT. LOANS

4 1/2% Loan 1951 & 1952 95 1/2.

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H.K. & Shanghai Bank 1,400 1/2.

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DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, Etc.

North Point Wharves 6, 6 1/2, 10 1/2.

Shanghai Hongkong Wharves 5 1/2.

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Shanghai Dockyards 3 1/2.

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MINING

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H.K. Mines 1 1/2.

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H. & S. Hotel 8 1/2, 9, 9 1/2, 9 3/4.

H.K. Lands 12 1/2, 13 1/2.

Shanghai Lands 1 1/2, 1 3/4.

Humphreys 2 1/2, 2 3/4.

H.K. Realities 2 1/2.

Chinese Estates 11 1/2.

H.K. Tenancy 13 1/2, 14 1/2, 14 3/4.

Pink Tenancy (Old) 2 1/2.

(New) 10 1/2.

Star Tenancy 7 1/2.

C. Leitch (Old) 13 1/2, 13 3/4, 14, 14 1/4.

(New) 9 1/2, 9 3/4.

H.K. Electric 2 1/2, 2 3/4.

Manco Electric 2 1/2.

(New) 1 1/2.

(Bunhu) 10 1/2.

Sandwich 10 1/2.

Telephones (Old) 1 1/2.

(New) 10 1/2.

Shanghai Gas 1 1/2.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Mac. (Ord) 22 1/2.

Canton Text 12 1/2.

Crants 13 1/2, 14, 13 1/2, 14 1/2.

H.K. Toys 13 1/2.

STORES, Etc.

Dairy Farms (Old) 14 1/2, 14 3/4.

(New) 12 1/2, 12 3/4.

Watsons 2 1/2, 2 3/4.

Cr. Crawford 2 1/2, 2 3/4.

Slippers 3 1/2.

China Emporium 8 1/2.

Sun Co. Ltd. 1 1/2.

Kwong Sun Hong 1 1/2.

Wing On (H.K.) 4 1/2.

Wm. Powell, Ltd. 1 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS

China Entertainment 7 1/2.

H.K. Constructions (Old) 2 1/2.

Villor 11 1/2.

Miramant Investments 9 1/2.

Miramant (H.K.) 7 1/2.

Shanghai Loan 7 1/2.

Shanghai Explor. 3 1/2.

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Consolidated Rubber 2 1/2.

Dominion Rubber 1 1/2.

Java-Consolidated 1 1/2.

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Krookwood Java 3 1/2.

Lankata 3 1/2.

Latex Rubber 1 1/2.

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Rubber Trust 3 1/2.

Sumatra Rubber 3 1/2.

Sumatra Rubber 3 1/2.

Shanghai Rubber 3 1/2.

Shanghai Rubber 3 1/2.

Shanghai Rubber 3 1/2.

Sua Mangia 3 1/2.

Sungai Dupla 3 1/2.

Tanah Bera 1 1/2.

Tobong Rubber 3 1/2.

Ziango Rubber 4 1/2.

BURNESS DONE

(Direct Business)

H.K. Bank 80 at \$145, 75 at \$140.

London, October 24.

Discussions about rearmament have so far been concerned with its financial and fiscal consequences.

It has been pointed out that rearmament will impose new taxation upon a nation which is already overtaxed, and that in the absence of compensating economies it will inevitably lead to fresh inflation.

All this is true enough. Of equal importance, however, is the likely impact of rearmament upon our productive resources, which in many respects are already fully strained. We must not neglect the physical for the financial side of the question.

This reflection has been prompted by a brief visit to Glasgow. Scotland today is in a very prosperous condition. Except in one or two places there is little unemployment; but there is just enough labour available to make it possible to replace men who drop out. Everyone is working well, and whatever may have been the case 30 years ago, any doubts about Clydeside labour are now completely unfounded.

Scottish industry. Considerable progress has been made since the war with the new industrial estates. Occupants of these now include 20 American and Canadian factories, and six more are on the way. These have installed British machinery, and they employ Scottish labour. In the short run this has brought dollars into the country, and apart from raw material costs the only long-term effect is the dollars which the present companies will take out in the form of profits. Against this these factories are now shipping their products to all parts of the world, including some South American countries.

This is the state of activity in which Scotland will have to carry her share of the rearmament programme. Already there are signs of strain. The restrictions upon new capital expenditure are making it difficult to build new factories or extend existing plant. It is doubtful if there is sufficient labour to permit of any further extensive development of the industrial estates. If this turns out to be the case there is a risk that tenants of existing factories will have to be displaced in order to obtain factory capacity for rearmament work.

Manufacturers also complain of a shortage of steel, and with less scrap coming from Germany some steel-makers are beginning to suffer from a severe shortage of scrap. This may impose a check on the hitherto steady expansion in steel production.

A rush to buy

Rearmament is beginning to have an inflationary influence on retail trade. The sharp rise in world wool prices is reflected in a sudden rush to buy clothes, and shops are busy getting in fresh supplies, so far as they can. There is also a keen demand by the public for wireless and television sets. This is inspired by the fear that manufacturers will shortly switch over to radar and other equipment for the Services, so that no new sets will be available.

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H.K. Land 53 at \$42 1/2.

H.K. & Shanghai H.K. 500 at \$8.70, 100 at \$8.70, 200 at \$8.70, 1,000 at \$8.70, 500 at \$8.70, 500 at \$8.70.

Shanghai Land 2,000 at \$11 1/2.

H.K. Tram 100 at \$14 1/2, 1,000 at \$14 1/2, 2,000 at \$14 1/2, 3,000 at \$14 1/2, 4,000 at \$14 1/2, 5,000 at \$14 1/2.

China Light (New) 5,200 at \$9.40, 600 at \$9.40.

H.K. Electric 3,500 at \$28 1/2, 1,200 at \$28 1/2.

Cement 500 at \$13 1/2, 200 at \$13 1/2, 1,000 at \$13 1/2, 1,000 at \$13 1/2, 1,000 at \$13 1/2, 1,000 at \$13 1/2.

Dairy Farm (Old) 100 at \$14 1/2, 500 at \$14 1/2, 1,000 at \$14 1/2, 1,000 at \$14 1/2, 1,000 at \$14 1/2, 1,000 at \$14 1/2.

Watson 100 at \$24 1/2.

Fwo 100 at \$25.

Alma Estate 500 at \$17, 80 at \$17, 200 at \$17, 1,000 at \$17, 1,000 at \$17, 1,000 at \$17.

Kok & Bairo 1,000 at \$18 1/2.

Lankata 200 at 40 cents.

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Dairies (New) 500 at \$12 1/2, 500 at \$12 1/2, 500 at \$12 1/2.

Lenor Crawford 500 at \$20.

Bamagarak 10,000 at \$0 cents.

Govt. 3 1/2% Loan (1948) \$7,000 at 30.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, October 23.

Last-minute selling wiped out slight gains in the stock market today.

Losses ran more than a dollar a share at the close while early gains all were cut back sharply.

Trading was moderately active at best.

Steels kept ahead most of the day as did a number of the distillers. Continued talk of higher steel prices, which probably would more than offset anticipated higher wages, was the pressure behind the rise in that department.

Distillers have in the background substantial and continued sales of alcohol to fuel the Government's synthetic rubber production step-up.

Dow Jones averages: 20 Industrials 230.02; 15 Rails 60.76; 10 Utilities 40.33.

Closing quotations:

Adams Express 23 1/2.

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Yachting notes:

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WIN DINGHY TEAM RACE

By "MOONRAKER"

The weather last week-end was perfect for sailing with plenty of sun and steady North Easterly winds which, however, died away during the Sunday afternoon, leaving some boats quite a long way from home.

A Jubilee which had sailed to Cheung Chau the previous day in two hours and then took nine hours to return, was one of the unfortunates.

During the week a team race was sailed between Headquarters 28 Infantry Brigade and 11 Field Squadron RE. This was won by Daly of the Sappers but Headquarters obtained the next four places, thus winning the match with comparative ease.

All classes were racing on Saturday afternoon, but in the case of Dragons and Stars, the course was not completed in the scheduled time of 5.30 p.m. and these races had unfortunately to be abandoned.

It is understood that the skipper and crew of La Linda, which was some miles behind the remainder of the fleet reviewed the abandonment of this race with philosophy.

It was good to see some of the Redwings from Kai Tak, joining in the races and it is hoped to see them in action regularly in future.

A trying time

Stars, Redwings and Dinghies had a trying time with a strong flood tide and a wind which lessened and became fluky during the afternoon.

Morning went off into the tide but picked up a better wind and was first to round the weather mark and so established a lead which he held to the end, although challenged near the finish by Ternery.

Redwing races are now held on Sundays as well as Saturdays and it is hoped that large numbers will turn out for these events during the winter.

The race on Sunday was won by Osmond sailing a Redwing for the first time and following upon his success in the Novices' race the previous week-end—a good effort and a good choice of crew.

All female crew

The Star race was won comfortably by Collings with a large all female crew. The Stars may now be sailed by Service officers at half-price and new helmsmen are encouraged to sail this class.

The Rowing Section are holding their regatta at Middle Island next week-end with a Barbecue on the Saturday evening.

Cruisers and Dragons will be racing there during Saturday afternoon and then meeting for a picnic tiffin at Penny's Bay on the following day.

Star, Redwing and Dinghy races will be held as usual at Kellett Island during the week-end.

Tickets for the Barbecue should be obtained from the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible.

Race results

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19
Dinghy Team Race—HQ 28 Inf. Bde. 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